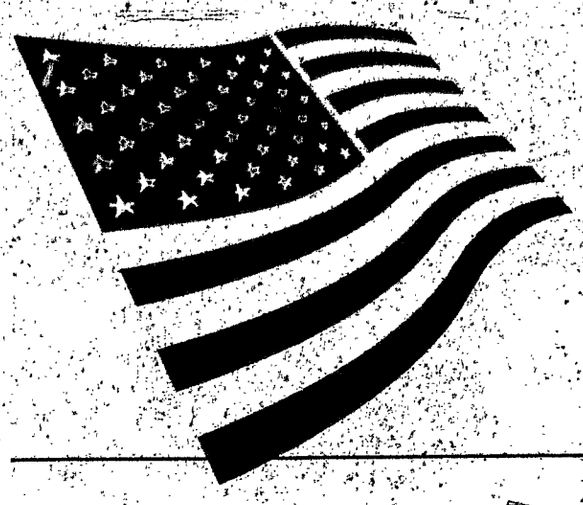


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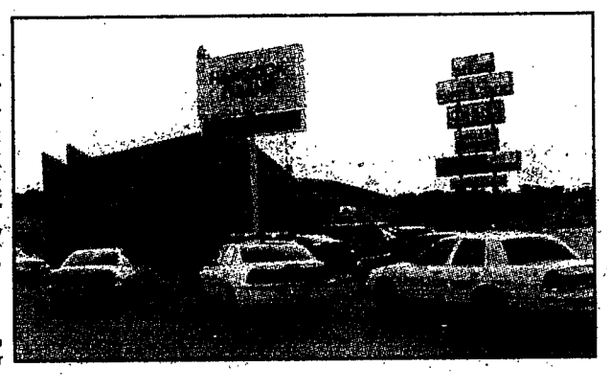
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Bank robber used phony bomb



Several Waveland police cruisers converge on Hancock Bank branch after the robbery Tuesday.

Echo staff photo by Geoff Belcher

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

The search continued yesterday for an as-yet unidentified man who robbed the Waveland branch of Hancock Bank on Tuesday.

Waveland Police Chief James Varnell said yesterday that the man walked up to a teller and "produced what could have appeared to be a bomb and asked for the teller's money."

After receiving the money, Varnell said, the man walked out the front door of the bank and towards Hwy. 90.

As of yesterday, no witness had yet come forward to offer a description of the robber's vehicle.

The robbery occurred at around 2:40 p.m., and was

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The robber was captured on the bank's surveillance camera.

Bayou Talla Fellowship Thanksgiving Lunch

Bayou Talla Fellowship, 18555 Hwy. 43 West, Kiln, invites the community to a Thanksgiving lunch with all the trimmings today, 11:30 to 1 p.m.

For a free ride to the event, call 255-1118.

Apostolic Church Homecoming Services

The Apostolic Church of Our Lord at Ave. B, Waveland-Kiln Cutoff Rd., will host homecoming services this Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. Speakers include Timothy C. Rush and Dan Wellman.

Talons Dance Team to host hwy. can shake

The Hancock High School Talons Dance Team will host a "can shake" this Saturday at the intersection of Hwy. 90 and Hwy 603 at Waveland.

The team will ask for donations to help finance the trip to the National Dance Team Competition in Orlando.

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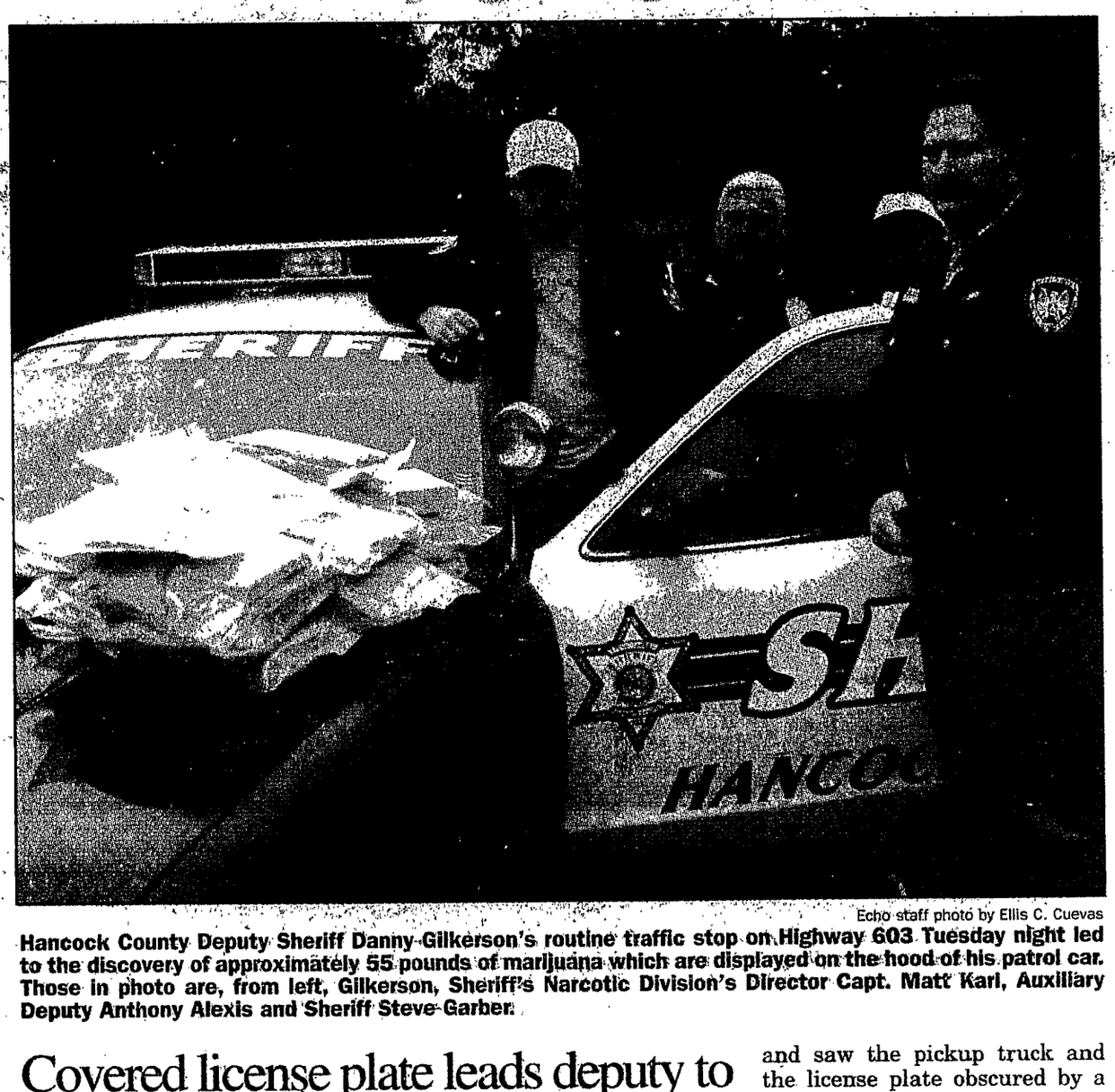
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County going to pot



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Hancock County Deputy Sheriff Danny Gilkerson's routine traffic stop on Highway 603 Tuesday night led to the discovery of approximately 55 pounds of marijuana which are displayed on the hood of his patrol car. Those in photo are, from left, Gilkerson, Sheriff's Narcotic Division's Director Capt. Matt Karl, Auxiliary Deputy Anthony Alexis and Sheriff Steve Garber.

Covered license plate leads deputy to seizure of 55 pounds of marijuana

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

An obscured license plate on a pickup truck led Hancock Deputy Danny Gilkerson to stop a pickup at approximately 9:55 p.m. Tuesday, in which approximately 55 pounds of marijuana was discovered, Sheriff Steve Garber reports.

Gilkerson said, "I was on a routine patrol on Highway 603 and saw the pickup truck and the license plate obscured by a trailer hitch. I stopped the vehicle and call in K-9 Officer Lt. Jimmy Esposito and Dax, who alerted on the vehicle."

Gilkerson continued, "In searching the vehicle, we discovered marijuana in shrink wrap

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'Scandal' erupts in school bd. election

Revealed that Seal once charged w/embezzlement

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Controversy over the recent election of a Hancock County School Board member has spread through the county and has evoked strong emotions among many involved.

The issues at hand involve Larry Seal, who claimed the District 5 position in the Nov. 5 election. Seal's past, present and future have intertwined landing him and the school board into the spotlight.

The Past

According to court reporter's transcripts requested by The Sea Coast Echo

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HHS student jailed for bomb threats

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

A Hancock High student suspect will spend Thanksgiving in custody as a result of three bomb threats received at the high school during a five-day period, according to Hancock County Sheriff Steve Garber.

Garber said, "Hancock High received bomb threats on Thursday, Friday and Monday. One student suspect was detained on Tuesday. The juvenile has been sent to the Forrest County Juvenile Detention Center by the Hancock Youth Court Judge."

"Our sheriff's investigator team, in addition to assistance from the staff at Hancock High worked together to nab a suspect. We are expecting more arrests as the investigation continues," Garber stated Wednesday morning.

Garber continued, "The students apparently do not realize the serious consequences caused by these bomb threats. They tie up law officers, fire services, ambulance services, in addition to the disruption of classes at school."

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Coleman files formal protest in mayor's race

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Waveland Democratic mayoral candidate Joan Siekmann Coleman is contesting the Nov. 5 primary election, asking that it be declared "null and void."



Joan Coleman

In a petition to Waveland City Clerk Lisa Planchard, the Democratic Executive Committee and the Secretary of State dated Monday, Coleman said "I feel the citizens expected a fair, properly conducted election and did not receive this."

Coleman and candidate Louie

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Southern Regional capacity still a matter of debate

BY BENNIE SHALLETTER
Staff Writer

Capacity issues at the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District and the direction for future plans will continue to be analyzed, even after a two and a half hour meeting between plant officials, board members, representatives from URS, representatives from other county districts and representatives from the Gulf of Mexico Program Office. The board said they will carefully analyze all information and make an informed decision on future plans.

URS representatives were in town to answer several questions raised in response to an August 2002 study.

At the conclusion of the meeting, district engineer Duke Levy and URS representatives had resolved some questions and seemed to be at a stalemate on others, though what remained in disagreement seemed to be a difference in engineering styles.

URS representatives stood by their report and capacity estimates, conservative they said, and designed to make certain that the Waveland plant could meet permit requirements under varied conditions.

Senior Project Manager Mike Patorno gave a simple example to back up his company's estimates. You may be able to run a car at 100 miles an hour for a short distance and it would perform well, but you would not want to run the car at 100 miles an hour for a whole day, he said. URS would not recommend that Southern Regional depend on the plant in Waveland running at 5 million gallons per day (MGD), Patorno said, though it could be possible that it could achieve that capacity for a short period of time.

Levy said that he had worked with the district for a long time and had empirical data, or field tests which proved to him that the plant was capable of operating at 5 MGD or above. He said that the old part of the plant could perform at 2.5 MGD and asked plant manager Doyle Ladner to confer with his statement, which Ladner did, though he said he felt more comfortable operating that part of the plant at a slightly lower capacity.

URS also presented figures on the cost of sludge handling which indicated that the present practice of land farming of liquid sludge would be the cheapest alternative for the district. Levy disagreed, saying that composting would be the most cost effective because the district could potentially sell composted material.

Discussions on whether to add capacity at the Waveland plant, following original recommendations of URS's conceptual study, the Gulf of Mexico Program, and DEQ, or add satellite plants in Pearlington and Kiln generated lots of opinions but little resolution.

Patorno said after the meeting that URS could only suggest a variety of options to the county. Future decisions on which direction to take will have to be weighed on three main fronts, he said, regulatory requirements, the most environmentally friendly solutions and costs.

Holiday closings in Hancock County

ECHO STAFF REPORT

Have a Happy Thanksgiving. The Sea Coast Echo will close on Thursday, but will observe regular hours on Friday. Other closings in Hancock County are as follows:

All city and county offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday.

Trash and recycling pick-up regularly scheduled for Thursday will be moved to Friday. Pickup regularly scheduled for Friday will be moved to Saturday.

Post Offices will be closed Thursday through Friday.

Banks will be closed on Thursday.

All branches of the Hancock County Library System will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Stennis Space Center will be closed on Thursday.

Schools will be closed on Thursday and Friday.

Coast Electric and Mississippi Power will be closed on Thursday and Friday.

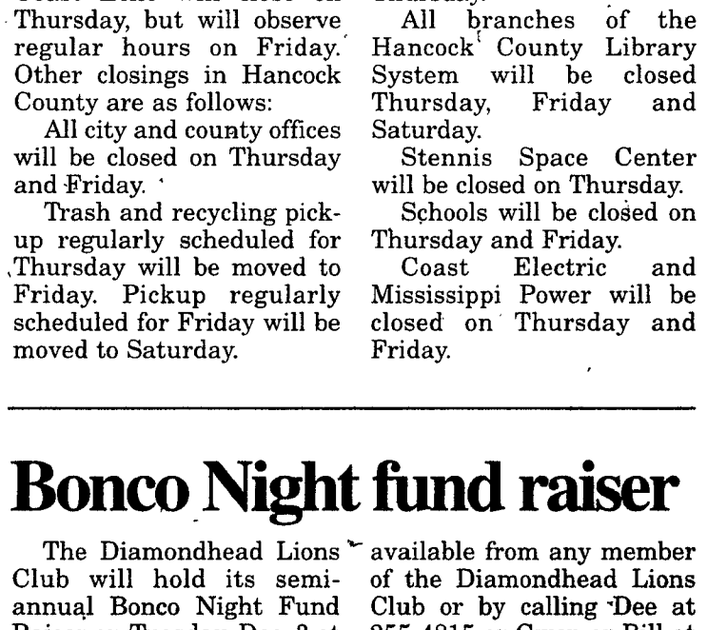
Bonco Night fund raiser

The Diamondhead Lions Club will hold its semi-annual Bonco Night Fund Raiser on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the Diamondhead Community Center.

There will be cash prizes, door prizes, great refreshments and a fund evening.

Tickets are $10 and available from any member of the Diamondhead Lions Club or by calling Dee at 255-4815 or Gwen or Bill at 255-4887.

Call early since seating is limited. All money raised from this fund raiser will be used to help those with visual or hearing impairments.





Group organizing arts council

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Creative people in Hancock County may soon find it easier to communicate with one another. A meeting last week, held at the Bay St. Louis branch of the Hancock County Library proposed a county-wide Arts Council. About 50 people attended the get-together, which was co-sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Development Bureau, the Library Foundation, and the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

This first meeting was held to see if people were interested, said Gwen Impson, who owns and produces her art at the Turquoise Turtle. Impson moved back to the area from Virginia a couple of years ago and noticed the lack of an arts organization.

The area she had lived in, in Virginia, had several art organizations and Impson was active in many of them. She served on the board of the Capital Hill Art League in Washington D.C., was a member of the Fairfax Art League, Art League 1100 and active at the Torpedo Factory.

She was hesitant at first, she said, to push her ideas because she was a relative newcomer to the area, though she grew up in New Orleans, she had spent fifteen years in the east coast area.

"But I could see a real need," said Impson. "So I started talking to people and found a gulf between what was going on in different areas ... a lack of communication and co-ordination. There could be many events going on at the same time and I wanted to find a vehicle to join artists together ... to get some collaboration between the various arts. There's a lot going on and it needs to be brought together."



Dozens of local people got together last week in Bay St. Louis for the first organizational meeting of a new county-wide arts council.

So far, everyone she has talked to has been keen on the idea she said.

Impson contacted the Chamber of Commerce and the Tourism Bureau and the idea grew from there. The next step , she says, is to get together people who would be interested in working on committees or helping to organize the idea into a non-profit status.

The proposed council is also calling for names of local artists, art patrons, or businesses to be entered into a county directory. Questionnaires can be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce or the Bay St. Louis Branch of the Library. The council and the directory is open to artists of all kinds, musicians, writers, photographers, artisians/crafts persons, performing artists or people who are just interested in the arts. Young artists are also encouraged to participate.

The council will also possibly serve as a clearing-house for information, a resource for artists, schools and community, and an economic tool to encourage investors, more artists and art related businesses and as a marketing tool to attract visitors. The council also proposes a web site that could be linked to other Hancock County sites. A calendar of events is also proposed.

Even if a person is not a joiner or interested in coming to a lot of meetings, Impson said, the Arts Council could still be a valuable tool. It could give individuals a resource to be able to link with other artists for advice, help, or even supplies. And individuals with similar interests, once communicating, could organize their own events or get togethers.

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Hancock farmers, ranchers to receive disaster loan applications

Emergency loans for farmers, ranchers, and operators are available through the Pearl River/Hancock County Office of the Farm Service Agency, said Jackie D. Williams, FSA Farm Loan Manager.

Williams said this authority is pursuant to Secretary Veneman's declaration on Oct. 21, 2002, of a major disaster in Louisiana, caused by drought that occurred from April 2, 2002, and continuing. As a result of this disaster, Hancock County as a contiguous county in Mississippi is named as an area eligible for Federal Disaster assistance pursuant to Section 321 (a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act.

Applications for assistance in the disaster-stricken county will be accepted by FSA through June 23, 2003.

Farmers qualifying for emergency loans may borrow up to 100 percent of their actual production loss or the amount needed to restore their operation to its pre-disaster condition, whichever is less.

The new emergency loan and outstanding principal balance of any existing emergency loan owed by the applicant or any individual member of an entity cannot exceed $500,000.

FSA emergency loans cover losses from designated disasters and are made to qualified farmers who cannot obtain credit from other lenders in the local area.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audio tape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTD).

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TTD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Still time to register for disaster assistance

There is still time for Southern Mississippians to register for disaster assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency for damage received during Tropical Storm Isidore.

Saturday, Nov. 30 is the last day to register for assistance including housing repairs not covered by insurance. Federal Coordinating Officer Mike Bolch said, "Mississippians have had 60 days to apply for disaster aid. We don't want to close operations with the thought that someone has missed the opportunity to recover from personal and property losses. If you are not sure about your eligibility, call the toll free number 1-800-621-3362 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m." Bolch said the number may be called to inquire about the status of applications already submitted. Leon Schaifer, state coordinating officer, said, "No application received before and on Nov. 30 will fail to be processed."

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• Economic development and downtown revitalization; including a new library, ADA improvements to City Hall, refurbishing of old school on Coleman Ave., new playground and a consistent increase in monthly sales tax revenue.

• Major utility expansions and street resurfacing.

• Waveland has received statewide and national recognition for programs including Mississippi Municipal Awards and "Stennis Institutes" Most Innovative Government Program Award.

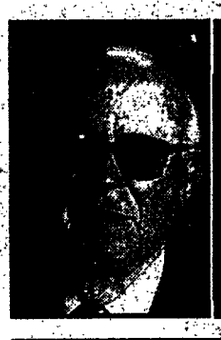
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OPINION



Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

More locals working at Stennis Space Center?

One of the stories in Sunday's edition of The Echo carried the headline. 'Why don't more locals work at Stennis?'

This is a question which has been raised for 40 years since the test site came into existence.

A discussion was held last Wednesday at the Hancock County Board of Supervisors as to why more people in Hancock County don't have the opportunity of employment at the Stennis Space Center.

I think the Hancock supervisors have struck one of the primary reasons, one which has been around for 40 years. The main employment center is located in Picayune which is in Pearl River County.

One has to ask this question. Is it really fair for the employment center to be located in Pearl River County, especially since the United States government took over a third of Hancock County to build the test site?

To really place emphasis on this, the Army Ammo Plant had employment offices in Pearl River County, and the employment numbers at that facility were only a dribble.

Hancock County had folks who had to move from the test sites' thousands of acres who were 4th, 5th and probably 6th generations residents. So I ask the question too, 'Is it fair for the employment center for Stennis to be in Pearl River County?'

I feel our Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar really hit the nail on the head when he indicated at Wednesday's meeting, 'Many of the blue-collar jobs are posted at the Picayune office and already filled by the time Hancock County applicants discover the openings.'

I realize it is hard for the U.S., or state governments to make a change in the way they do things, but our governments should be a fair to everyone.

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I hope that each and everyone of you will have a very Happy Thanksgiving.

As Americans, we still have much to be thankful for in comparison to those living in other nations of the world.

For sure 9-11 is still on the minds of many, yet on a smaller scale, it seems terrorism is happening on a daily basis for others.

I hope that each and every visitor to our community will have a safe journey home, as well as a safe return for our residents who have traveled to visit relatives and friends.

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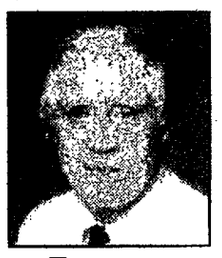
A belated Happy Birthday goes to Mrs. Edith Dantagnan, who celebrated here 99th on Tuesday.

Mrs. Dan, as she is known by many of us, was born on November 26, 1903 in Napoleonville, La.

She is a well-known realtor from Bay St. Louis across the Coast and state and was inducted into the Mississippi Realtors Hall of Fame 1994 Honors Class.

I wish Mrs. Dan many more birthdays.

Stern had bizarre experiences tackling justice system in MS in the early '60s



Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

This tall, 60-ish guy with a receding hairline comes over to me at a black-tie reception a week or so ago in New York honoring a journalist friend of mine and says:

"Hi, I'm Jerry Stern, I was James Meredith's roommate at Ole Miss back in 1962." What's that again?

In short order, Stern explains how he came to be Meredith's roomie for a month. He didn't apply for it. He was ordered to.

That back then he was a junior U.S. Justice Department civil rights attorney assigned to work under the legendary John Doar in Mississippi. And seeing that no harm came to Meredith in his early days as a student on the Oxford campus was part of the job.

But as a young government lawyer than just tucking the state's famed black student in bed at night.

Such as running afoul of rigidly racist Southern federal district Judge Harold Cox, who loved to feast on young government attorneys, especially those who brought some type of voting rights action before him. (Once Cox referred to blacks seeking to become registered voters as "acting like chimpanzees.")

Stern related an almost incredible story of the extremes Cox went to in late 1962 to punish two elderly black men the young Justice attorney had brought in from Clarke County to testify in Cox's court about how the county's white voter registrar denied them the chance to register.

"None of the 3000 blacks of voting age in the county at the time had been registered to vote and those who were courageous enough to try were turned down on some pretext, usually the 'read and understand' clause in the state constitution," Stern told me.

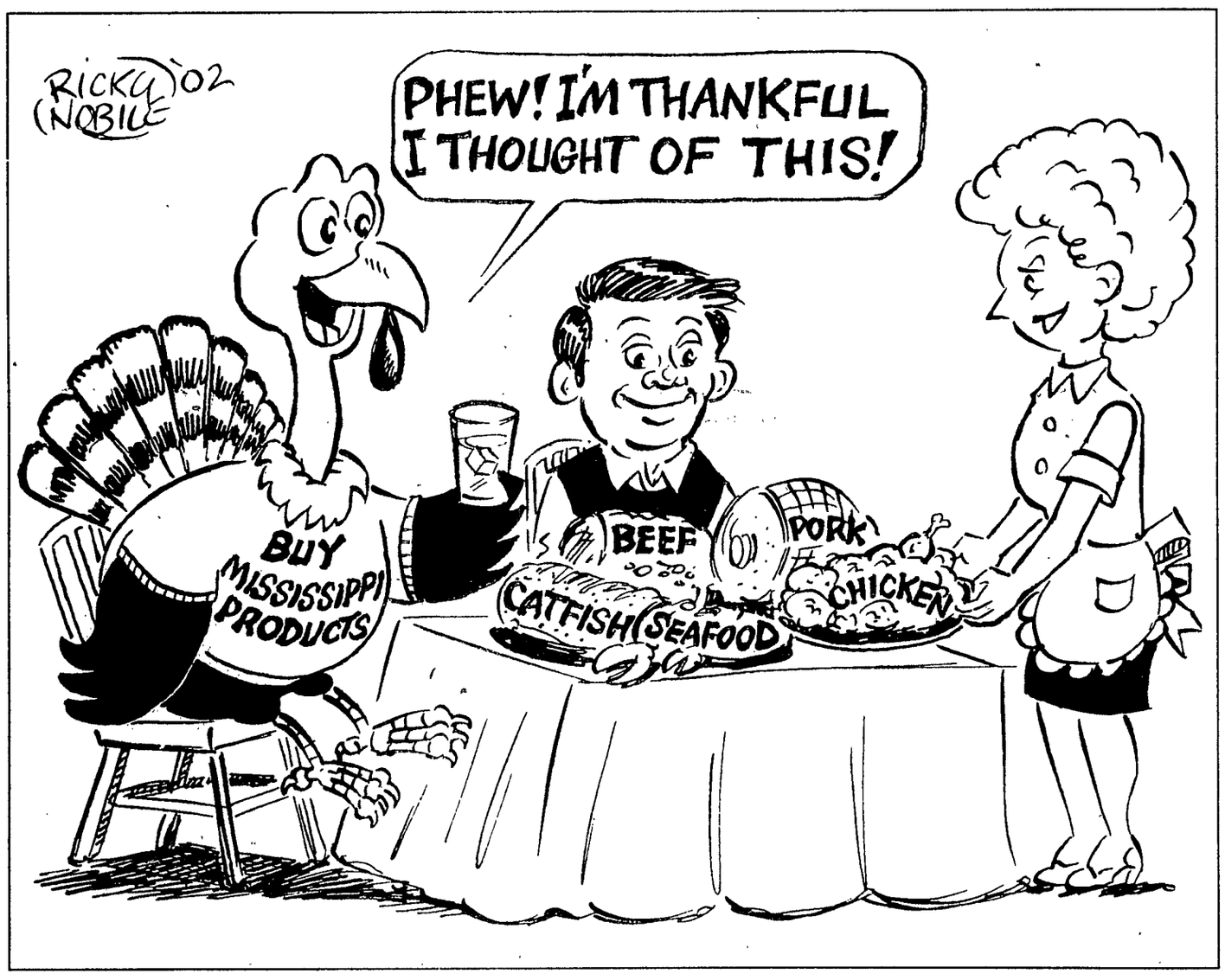
(Under the constitutional clause, a registrar could reject any voter applicant if he was not satisfied with the applicant's written interpretation of even the most complex sections of the state constitution.)

Yet FBI handwriting experts sent into Clarke County, Stern said, found dozens of instances where whites were registered to vote and their applications were filled out by the same person.

The former Justice department attorney said that Judge Cox, "somehow believed the two men lied about their registration denial and demanded that the government charge them with perjury. That we refused to do."

Thereupon, Stern related, Cox did an amazing thing: He persuaded the

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Tort reform became reality in MS. Nov. 25



From the Capitol

By State Rep. Dirk Dedeaux

For the past several weeks members of the House and Senate have been pacing the halls of the Capitol waiting for the tort reform package to be born out of the conference committee. This became a reality on November 25, 2002.

In September Gov. Musgrove called upon the legislature in a special session to deal with the medical malpractice laws. After the legislature passed the malpractice package in October, giving doctors and hospitals more protection against lawsuits, the governor issued a new call for the legislature to stay on and tackle general tort reform, which would apply to Mississippi businesses and individuals.

The following is a summary of the tort reform package that was passed:

Punitive damages were capped. For all defendants worth less than 50 million dollars the cap was set at 4% of the defendants net worth.

The law provides a tier system of hard caps for larger businesses with the maximum set at 20 million dollars. Punitive caps do not apply to felonious activity or acts committed by a person under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol.

Premises liability was clarified. Property owners are not held liable for crimes committed on their property unless their actions or inactions contributed to or facilitated the crime.

Joint liability will not apply to non-economic damages. Joint liability also will not apply to cases where the person at fault is less than 30% at fault.

This means that in cases where there was more than one person at fault, the people who are less at fault should not be required to pay damages on behalf of those who were more at fault.

The "Innocent Seller" compromise is based on a Missouri law dealing with product liability. An entity that is in the stream of commerce of a defective product that harms people but is unaware of the defect, is provided with a legal procedure to remove themselves from the lawsuit without throwing the entire suit into federal court under diversity laws.

Venue statutes, which decide in which county cases are tried, were clarified to close loopholes that allowed cases to be removed to another county which may have a reputation of having more sympathetic juries.

"Judge Shopping" was cut out by requiring that judges not be assigned to a case until a responsive pleading is filed in the suit.

Local governments may not suit firearms or ammunition manufacturers.

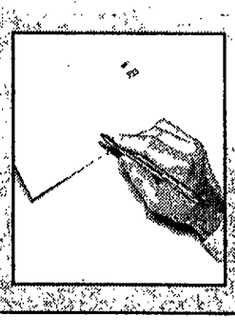
Out-of-state lawyers that are not members of the Mississippi Bar are restricted from advertising in MS. Also it is now a $1,000. 00 fine for filing a frivolous lawsuit.

This law applies to all suits filed on or after January 1, 2003.

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



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county's most prominent white lawyer to go to a Clarke County grand jury and have the two black men, one of them a minister, indicted by the county for having committed perjury in a federal court and have them slapped behind bars.

The feds immediately went to the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and had the Clarke County action stopped, the two men released from jail and the county action blocked. "Obviously, it was outrageous for anyone to think the county could prosecute someone for what allegedly happened in a federal court," Stern told me.

Meantime, both men, along with a handful of other leading blacks in Clarke county, Stern said, "were suddenly put on the voter rolls."

But as late as December, 1964, Stern said, Judge Cox was still determined to get vengeance against the two men he believed had lied in his court about the county voter registrar.

A federal grand jury was meeting in Biloxi in December, 1964, primarily convened to act on charges against several of the principals in the notorious slaying of three civil rights workers in Neshoba County, the ex-government attorney related.

"At Judge Cox's (Cox was on vacation) request," Stern added, "the jury in its final moments heard testimony from the same Clarke County attorney that Judge Cox had once before used to bring the county action."

After the grand jury heard him it instructed (Southern District) U.S. Attorney Robert Hauberg to draw up federal indictments against the two men.

Hauberg, the tall, soft-spoken, gentlemanly, long-time U.S. Attorney in Jackson, quietly refused to buckle under to Cox's demands and sign the indictment, even after Cox had him (along with acting U.S. Atty. Gen. Nicholas Katzenbach) cited for contempt of court.

The unforgiving Judge Cox left the unsigned indictment sitting on the desk of his office in the Jackson federal courthouse until the day he left the bench years later.

Hauberg's courageous stand against the imperious, angry federal judge has never before been reported in the press.

His stand was historic because it not only ended Cox's vendetta against black citizens registering to vote in small, rural Clarke County, it also emboldened black citizens elsewhere who had been fearful of local reprisals to appear in the federal courthouse to testify against voter discrimination. Stern said "one of the proudest moments of my life was to go back to Clarke County later and talk with Mr. (Andrew) Kendrick, who by then was a registered voter.

"Mr. Kendrick once had told me not to worry about all the delays and frustration we were facing as long as he was registered in time to vote for President Kennedy in 1964. He never got to realize that ambition."

It is perhaps one of the great ironies of history that William Harold Cox, who became regarded by federal attorneys throughout the civil rights years as the foremost barrier to black voting rights, had been President Kennedy's first appointee to the federal bench when he took office in 1961.

Cox, a onetime Ole Miss roommate of Mississippi Sen. James O. Eastland and a fellow Sunflower Countian, was generally said to be the price Kennedy had to pay to get judicial nominees through Eastland's powerful Senate Judiciary Committee.

In his 1982 book, "Unlikely Heroes," southern journalist and historian Jack Bass wrote that Harold Cox "for two decades compiled an unmatched record of judicial conduct that not only obstructed civil rights progress in Mississippi but undermined respect for federal courts."

Cox's one redeeming moment came in the 1967 trial of 18 white men on federal conspiracy charges in connection with the 1964 Neshoba County slaying of the three civil rights workers.

When the trial jury after nearly two days deliberation appeared to be deadlocked, Cox called the jurors back before him and delivered what was called the "dynamite charge" to reach a verdict. A few hours later, guilty verdicts, requiring prison time, were brought back against seven of the men.

Waveland P.D., Coleman Ave. Colition plan 'Shop w/a Cop'

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The Coleman Avenue Coalition is helping the Waveland Police Department with fund raising efforts for their annual "Shop With A Cop" day. If you would like to make a donation or help collect contributions please call Kathy at 467-3922 or Cyndi at 467-5454 or Sgt. Brent Anderson at the Waveland Police Department. Pictured are Carol Kerr, Cyndi Meyer, Kathy Pinn, Lt. Mike Prendergast, and Sharon DeMetz.

Waveland Policemen will continue a tradition this year when they take several l kids to shop for Christmas presents that they might not otherwise receive. Last year the Waveland Police department made Christmas possible for ten local children; this year they hope to raise the number of kids to 25.

Last year fundraising fell short of goals and officers reached into their own pockets to come up with needed funds. This year, the program, "Shop With A Cop" has been adopted by the Coleman Ave. Coalition. The organization of Waveland merchants and businesses will be helping Waveland Policemen raise needed funds.

They hope to enlist the support of area businesses. Each business will be given a wreath to hang up and a box for contributions. Mitten ornaments, which are also provided, can be pinned to the wreath as each contribution is made.

In addition, each business is asked to display a wreath with green lights outside on the building. The green circle of light will signify a "circle of friends" and designate that a donation can be made at that location, said Kathy Pinn. The idea came from Waveland's tradition of being a large circle of friends.

If you have any problem coming up with a green lighted wreath, the coalition will furnish one. You may call Kathy at 467-3922 or Cyndi at 467-5454. If you would like more information on the "Shop With A Cop" program, call Sgt. Brent Anderson at the Waveland Police Department.

The "shopping spree" will take place about December 21 at the Waveland K-Mart. K-Mart will offer a discount on merchandise as their contribution to the cause.

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LET'S ELECT
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Waveland Alderman Ward One

Occasionally a candidate emerges who stands out as the obvious choice for the elected office being sought. Keith Mitchell is that candidate in the Ward One Alderman race.

THE RIGHT QUALIFICATIONS: Having served the city in various leadership capacities for the past twelve years, Keith Mitchell possesses a unique understanding of the various departments of the city and is no newcomer to local politics. Known for establishing and maintaining high standards, you can count on his full commitment as your Ward One Alderman. Keith Mitchell can get the job done!

THE RIGHT EXPERIENCE: Keith Mitchell offers extensive city government experience. Mitchell has served Waveland during two previous administrations in various capacities including Code Enforcement Official, Director of Community & Economic Development, Flood Plain Administrator, Grant Writer and Special Projects Coordinator in addition to having served three terms on the city's Planning and Zoning Commission. Waveland continues to benefit from Mitchell's significant contributions. He initiated the city's participation in the Community Rating Program, a program currently saving citizens of the city thousands of dollars in reduced flood insurance rates. Mitchell was successful in writing



the grant that provided the initial funding for Waveland's sponsorship of the local Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). As Waveland's representative on the Gulf Regional Planning Commission, Mitchell worked on the Technical Advisory Committee and was a member of the inaugural group that sought funding and commissioned the design for the project that evolved into our current beach front walkway & bike path. According to Mitchell, " Our city leaders must be proactive and forward thinking in shaping the future of Waveland. My past accomplishments show that I am both. My practical experience and business training positions me to provide a superior level of representation for the citizens of Ward One, representation you can be proud of."

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Main Street United Methodist Church makes a difference at Dunbar Village



A team of volunteers from Main Street United Methodist Church participated with the residents and staff of Dunbar Village and made a difference in each other's lives on "National Make-A-Difference Day." They beautified a garden area around the Village sign with fall flowers. Although the day was dreary, all who worked together (and watched) enjoyed the time of fellowship and accomplishment. Main Street UMC seeks to witness to their faith in practical ways. If you would like to reach out to the community in service and love, please call the church office, 467-4538, Mon.-Fri. between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., to find out the details of each monthly project. In November, there will be a collection of nonperishable food for the needy in our community. You may participate by bringing your donations to the church, weekdays as listed above or on Sunday mornings. The congregation invites you to join them in worship at 9 a.m. and 11a.m. with fellowship at 9:45 a.m. and Bible study at 10 a.m. for all ages. A nursery is provided.

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Casino Magic raises money for March of Dimes

Nov. 20, Casino Magic Bay St. Louis won company awards at the Nov. 9 March of Dimes WalkAmerica walk along the beach in Bay St. Louis.

The team had 20 team member walkers and raised $4,484.96.

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis received three awards in all, for the company with the greatest number of walkers, the most money raised for a company and a sponsor recognition plaque.

"Hancock County really came through for the March of Dimes WalkAmerica 2002," said March of Dimes Coast Division Director Kay Daneault.

"Mr. Jagunich (president and COO of Casino Magic Bay St. Louis) and everyone at Casino Magic have been so supportive in helping to further our mission to help save babies. We are very appreciative to everyone for their hard work," she said.

In all, $14,350 was raised for the March of Dimes in Hancock County.

Casino Magic team members sold T-shirts for the Blue Jeans for Babies Day and raised over $3,000 through the T-shirt sales alone.

With the purchase of a T-shirt, team members were permitted to wear jeans and a T-shirt or button promoting the March of Dimes on Thursday, Nov. 7.

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis was also the meeting sponsor for the March of Dimes in Hancock County, hosting multiple breakfast and team captain meetings.

"We were so pleased with the results of the WalkAmerica event," said Casino Magic President John Jagunich.

"Our team members were very enthusiastic about participating in the walk and raising money to help save babies through the March of Dimes campaign.

Hancock Women's Club holds 'Parade of Prizes'

Club to display Christmas tree Dec. 8, visit BSLLT Dec. 15

The Hancock Women's Club held a "Parade of Prizes" raffle at their meeting Nov. 14 at Holiday Inn Waveland conducted by Polly Cuevas of the Pinehill Nursery who was the guest speaker.

Pointers were given on how to prepare the garden for fall and winter.

Celebrating birthdays were Gayle Arnold, Joyce deBruen, Theresa Bourgeois, Dorothy Farley, Amelia Killeen, Rosemary Kirchem, Gloria Norton, Gloria Sanders, Val Servat and Ann Whitworth who were presented a corsage and wishes in song from the members.

The club will be displaying a Christmas tree at the library Dec. 8 with a theme of "Christmas Under The Sea."

Members have been busy making the decorations and hope to be a winner again this year.

Plans are under way for a lunch and visit to the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre on Dec. 15 so see the play "The Nerd."

Treasurer Dorothy Kingsmill announced a donation was made to the animal shelter and the food pantry.

The next meeting will be at Rooster's on Dec. 12 for a celebration of Christmas, and guests are welcomed to join in. For information, call Amelia Killeen at 467-0589.

Republican Women plan Christmas luncheon Dec. 11

The next meeting of the Hancock County Republican Women's Club will be the annual Christmas luncheon Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 11:30 a.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club.

Cost of the luncheon is $12, including tax and tip. Reservations are a must by calling Marta at 255-8119 or Donna at 466-3452 before Friday, Dec. 6.

Mail checks to HCRWC, P.O. Box 6382, Diamondhead, MS 39525 or hand-deliver to Marta's home in The Oaks of Diamondhead.

Husbands, friends and neighbors are invited to the festive event.

Again this year, the club is providing Christmas dinner baskets to two needy families in the area, one in the city, the other in the county.

Members are asked to bring staple food contributions to the luncheon. President Worrell will purchase the turkey and ham from cash contributions from club members.

Following the luncheon, the newly elected officers will be sworn into office. They are Nell Frisbie, president; Charlotte Feola, first vice-president; Lynn Cheramie, second vice-president; Carolyn Urbano, secretary; and Annette Saucier, treasurer.

These officers will carry the club through the years 2003 and 2004. They will assume their duties effective Jan. 1.



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'Peace on Earth' is theme of B-W Garden Club show

Peace on Earth will be the theme for a small standard flower show, presented by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club as an adjunct to the Hancock County Library System's 2002 Holiday Tree Gala on Sunday, Dec. 8, from 1 to 4 p.m.

The public is invited to exhibit horticulture in this show. Categories include decorative foliage, tree and shrub branches (12 to 30 inches long), salvias, herbs, and container-grown plants (no larger than 12-inch diameter pot).

All horticulture specimens must be fresh material grown by the exhibitor.

Entries will be received 9 - 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, with judging beginning at 1:30 p.m. Entries should be picked up by 5 p.m. on Sunday.

In the design category, advance entries are required by calling Lyn Nybo at 467-7019. There will be four classes in this category: Joy to the World, The children were nested all snug in their beds, Rejoice, and Follow the Star.

Further information on the flower show is available by calling Lynn Nybo at 467-7019 or Alice Holmes at 467-3710.

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Hampstead Players present show at Gulfview



The Hampstead Players, a national touring children's theatre company based in New Hampshire, recently presented its adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" for students and faculty at Gulfview Elementary. Two actors in full period costume, each playing several roles and soliciting participation from the audience, performed the play. Immediately following, students posed general questions to the actors about live theatre and set design.

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Chloe Hale, Zabrina Hale, Rachel Hargrove, Yen Hoang, Daniel John, Heidi Knight, Sandy Le, Jenna Markham, Joshua Markham, Heather McArthur, Katarina McCormack, Joanna Miller

Chad Musgrove, Jesse Necaise, Lisa Nguyen, Katherine Patridge, Matthew Scarborough, Rodney Smith, Susannah Smith, Danielle Taylor

Tori Terrell, Thu Tran, Andrew Turner, Maesha Twyner, Amy Walker, Dana Wilson

A and B Honor Roll

Allison Albrecht, Jillian Anderson, Daniale Ashmore, Alea Ausmer, Tasha Bailey, Phyllis Beck, Natasha Behrens, Matthew Black

Christian Bleivik, Lindsey Broadway, Megan Brown, Austin Collins, Ashley Cornell, Heather Cuevas, Dominique Curtis, Michael Davila

Lakia Dedeaux, Jesse Digiacomo, April Dubuisson, April Dubuisson, Dawn Edwards, Daryl Emerson, Amber Epperson , Curtis Escue

Tomeaka Fields, Roscoe Forch, Justin Furby, Teresa Garziano, Jacob Gilbert, Jared Graham, Meghan Graham, Lindsay Gruzdis, Michael HarshbargerKeisha Hatcher, Heather Henderson, Tekoahia Henderson, Alex Holloway

Kelsey Hood, Katherine Hunt, Robert Hunter, Davin Ingram, Jessica Jenkins, Kathryn John, Hannah Johnson, Jordan Jones, Sarah Jordan, Sara Knobbe, Stephen Kutos, Brett Ladner, Erin Ladner, John A. Ladner, Justina Ladner, Morgan Ladner, Kylie Lizana, Kayce Mahler, De'Lise McKay, Erinn McKay

Amanda McMaster, Charles McVeety, Jeremy Miller, Amanda Necaise, Zachary Newman, Steven Nguyen

Thanh Nguyen, Cassandra Oden, Catherine Page, Michael Palmer, Shun Parker, Kattie Pavolini, Vanessa Pavolini

Martha Pham, Lauren Phares, Tammy Phelps, Christina Phillips, Mariah Pitalo, Jessica Ratliff, Sarah Richard

Kyle Russell, Jeanie Sanders, Roland Sanders, Ishanti Saucier, Dustin Savoie, Eugenie Sellier, Justin Sexton, Cassidi Shelton, Anna Smith, Ashley Smith, Rivers Smith

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Caleshia Walker, Charles Walters, Charine Ward, Crystal Westbrooks, Spencer Westerfield, Lindsey White, Rebecca Wilder, Frederick Wiley, Eric Yurttas

Pass Christian Middle School Honor Roll

All A Honor Roll

6th Grade: Paul Furr

8th Grade: Tara Cotton, Cassie Cuevas, Kerry Dubuisson, Tavish Kelly, Dennis Narcisse, Lien Nguyen, Lionel Saucier, Estefania Urbano, Kyle White

A and B Honor Holl

6th Grade: Michael Bell, Morgan Blackstock, Alex Bourdin, Lawrence Brown, Rashad Coleman, Lindsey Cotman

Megan Davis, Chasity Dockery, Timothy Henderson, Zachary Harrin, Jarmaine Hughes, Monica Jenafreau

Robin Juneau, Chau Le, Olivia Lizana, Phillip McAuley Jr., Paige Necaise, Tiffany Necaise, Troy Nelson, Hannah Read, Breanna Thompson, Nicolle Urbano, Malcolm Watson, Brianna Williams

7th Grade: Tashara Bender, Lauren Bernard, Ashley Burton, Tammy Cotton, Durand Dauner, Hillary Dedeaux, John Galatas, Kayla Gibson, Amber Higgins, Amber Hill

Cassandra Koszarek, Brian Mays, Jane-Claire Montgomery, Hayden Moran, Richard Ross, Janeah Sakalaukus

Shallon Swanier, Clinton Wallace, Caroline Williams, Simone Williams

8th Grade: Jacob Anderson, Tysheonna Bell, Alicia Bourdin, Alexis Charlot, Sabrina Cooper, Nicholas Couch

Carolan Crowder, Gregory Dedeaux, Christopher Hall, Corderrell Horace, Justin Humphrey, Sarah Jacobs

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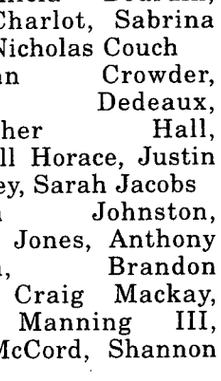
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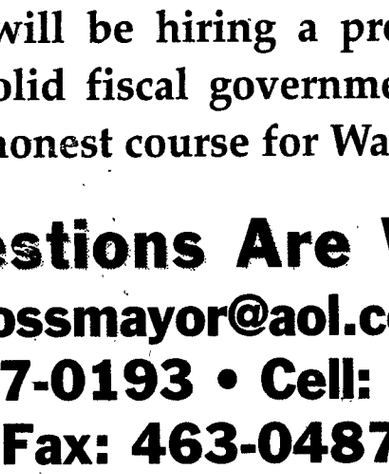
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2nd Grade: Destiny Bullock, Kennedy Cuevas, Jordan Day, Ajee Dedeaux, Seana Flynn, Devin McGee, Emily Parker, Mallory Swanier, Tyvon Williams

3rd Grade: Shaun Deason, Anthony Ladnier

4th Grade: Rhian Floyd, Charles Gosselin, Lindsay Parker, Karl Swanier

5th Grade: Kaitlin Dewitt, Matthew Garriga, Camden Graham, Ethan Haas, Ashley Roe

A AND B HONOR ROLL

1st Grade: Anastasia Ager, Michael Cuevas, Briana Dedeaux, DeSean Dedeaux, Daryl Doukas, Ammon Jackson, Kiera Jacobs, Kelsey Jones, Colin Ladner, Dakota Ladner

Patricia Ladner, Tanae Ladner, Courtney Ladnier, Elisha Mahan, Destiny Mancell, Bryce Moran, Cheyenne Scarborough, Joseph Stelly, Benjamin Taylor, George Wainwright

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Zachary Favre, Ash Leigh Gartman, Sereena Henderson, Danielle Hodges, Monae Howard, Jonathan Jones, Karleigh Kidd, Garrett Koenig, Dylan Ladner, Dillon Langston

Ian Lewis, Amanda Lewis, Dustin Necaise, Tyler Pavolini, Lacy Roundtree, Lucas Smith, Micah Steiner, Thomas Terry, Dillon Toler, Reagan Williams, Shayna Woodcock

4th Grade: Trae Ausmer, Elisa Bailey, Brooke Carroll, Michael Corring, Bronson Couey, Tyler Dedeaux, Dylan Graham, Steven Harshbarger

Alex Kidd, Rebecca Lacoste, Colton Ladner, Trey Ladner, Robert Lambert, Ariel Overstreet, Lakyn Peters, Amanda Roe, Dustin Snyder, Taylor Walker

5th Grade: Morgan Bradley, Timothy Bradley, Kelsie Briggs,

Daphne Carroll, Kimberly Coleman, Lauren Cruz, Sarah Epperson, Katharine Favre, Carissa Frederick

Joshua Jackson, Carolin Kirchner, Bianca Ladner, Ethan Lafontaine, Amber McArthur, Cory McGee, Kayla Moran, Amber Page, Quinton Pannell

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Chilimigras serves second term as HMC chief of staff

The medical staff of Hancock Medical Center has re-elected family medicine physician Roberta M. Chilimigras president for the 2002-2003 term.

Pathologist J. D. Rutherford III was elected vice president, and internal medicine specialist James C. Crittenden was named secretary.

Members-at-large are obstetrician/gynecologist Keith Goodfellow, internal medicine specialist/pulmonologist Sayeed Aziz, orthopedic surgeon Tomas Flores and emergency department physician Sean Appleyard. Anesthesiologist Dale Loiacano is past president.

Dr. Chilimigras is a native of Ohio and has been on the active staff of Hancock Medical Center since 1993.

A graduate of the University of Dayton, she earned a medical degree at Ohio State University and completed internships at Bronson Medical Hospital and rotation in Kalamazoo, Mich.

She completed one year of rehabilitation residency at Chicago Rehab Institute in Chicago, Ill., and practiced in Michigan, Senatobia, Miss. and Slidell before opening an office in Waveland.

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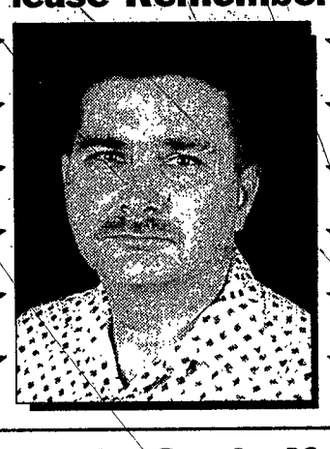
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Coleman -- protest

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Smolensky – the current Ward 3 alderman – were defeated in the primary by incumbent Mayor John "Tommy" Longo.

Although Longo received around 700 votes to Coleman's 225, she said yesterday that her petition was not based on "sour grapes."

"I cannot say whether the voting results would have changed. I am not pursuing this as a complaining candidate," she said in the petition. "I am objecting to the process conducted, as a concerned private citizen who strongly believes in the right of all Americans to expect accurate due process of our American and State laws."

Coleman said in the petition that she believes many state statutes were violated during the primary, including that "The physical location was so small as to cause non-compliance of Mississippi Code Title 23-Chapter 15-Paragraph 433 ".... the voting machines shall be placed at least three (3) feet from every wall or partition of the polling room and at least four (4) feet from any table where any of the managers and clerks may be engaged or seated..." – Coleman said "The room was not wide enough to comply with this statute." and that "There were so many voters allowed into the room as to make voting in private an impossibility."

Coleman also listed several instances that she said she felt constituted violations of state law and of the fair balloting process, including problems with the ballot return forms, unrecorded numbered seal tags, improperly managed signature logs and – in at least one case – outright illegal voting:

"There is one ballot submitted into the ballot box on November 5, 2002 that is generally known to have been purposefully submitted in violation of Title 23, Chapter 15, paragraph 11," Coleman said. "The voter registered to vote the morning of November 5, 2002 in the City Hall of Waveland, Mississippi. He was informed by the registrar and assistants that he was not eligible to vote in the primary nor the general election, as his registration was not thirty (30) days prior to the primary nor the general election. This person voted by affidavit, knowing that his vote was not legal. He submitted the ballot into the box instead of putting it in the affidavit envelope, as instructed to do.

"I feel that this person also violated Title 23, Chapter 15, paragraph 17 and should be penalized as described in this section for registration with intent to defraud."

Further, she said she found several instances where she believes the same individuals voted in both the Republican and Democratic primaries.

"From what I understand," Planchard said, "the Democratic Executive Committee is the next entity to get involved with her petition. "They have to meet, review and research her findings. ... It's up to the party on what to do with her petition."

In other words, the party is choosing who its candidate will be in the general election, not who the actual mayor will be.

If Coleman disagrees with the committee's decision on the petition, she may take it to circuit court – if, under state law, she can find two attorneys from two different law firms who agree with her assessment that here has been a discrepancy.

For now, the general election is still scheduled to take place on Dec. 3, with Longo squaring off against Republican challenger Jay Fountain and Independent W.E. "Bill" Cross.

Pot -- big bust

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packages of various sizes, weighing approximately 55 pounds."

Karl reported High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), and U.S. Customs officers were notified of the haul.

"The driver of the vehicle, Regelio Delafuente, 28 of Fort Worth, Texas, was arrested and charged with intent to deliver, and is held in the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility with a bond set at $100,000," Narcotic Division director Capt. Matt Karl said.

Street value of the marijuana was estimated at $56-60,000, according to Karl, and this was the largest haul of marijuana for the Narcotics Division in 2002.

Other officers giving assistance in the stop and search of the vehicle included Agent Chris Russell, (who Karl said is handling the drug investigation), Lt. Tim Broder and Deputy Nathaniel Jewell.

Gilkerson, who has been a road deputy since 2000, said this was his largest marijuana haul.

Delafuente told officers he was on his way from Texas to Florida to pick up a sister for the holidays, Gilkerson reported.

The truck, a 1978 pickup, was seized, Garber said.

Bank -- robbery

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captured on a surveillance tape.

The suspect is described as a white male 6'1 to 6'2", with a goatee. At the time of the robbery, he was wearing blue jeans, a light colored shirt, a brown zippered jacket with tan sleeves and pullover. Both the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Waveland Police Department are investigating the case.

Anyone who can identify the suspect or can offer any further information is urged to contact the Waveland P.D. at 467-3669 or FBI at 864-6131.

Threats

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"Bomb threats are a very serious matter, and there are serious consequences for those guilty of making them," Garber emphasized.

The student was charged with three counts of making a bomb threat. Each count is a federal offense.

Algebra SATP changed at Hancock

Due to the instructional time that was lost as a result of the hurricane and tropical storm, the Algebra I portion of the Mississippi Subject Area Testing Program has been changed at Hancock High School from Dec. 3 to Monday, Dec. 9.

Students who began the 9th grade in the 2002-2003 school year must pass this test in order to qualify for graduation from any Mississippi public school.

There will be no make-up day for this test.

Students who are absent on Dec. 9 will have to take the test during the next regular administration in April. For more information, contact the Hancock High Guidance Department at 467-2251 or the District Test Coordinator at 255-0376.

'Buckle Up' campaign continues in Hancock

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The Hancock County Sheriff's Department continues a nationwide campaign through December 1 titled *Click It or Ticket,* according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

The campaign is a crackdown on drivers who don't buckle up and don't buckle up kids with proper restraints, reports Ray Billeaud, Sheriff's Department School Resource/DUI Enforcement Officer.

Billeaud said, "When violence hits the school yard and children die, we hear a national outcry. It's time that our nation expresses similar outrage about the more than 2,000 children who die in traffic crashes each year. Clearly, our nation's roadways are one of the most deadly places we take our children. Traffic crashes, in fact, remain the No. 1 killer of kids."

"From November 25 through December 1, Hancock County's deputies will sharply intensify enforcement of adult seat belt and child passenger restraint laws." Garber said.

The Hancock County Sheriff's Department's deputies will be joining the nationwide blitz of more than 10,000 law enforcement agencies across the nation.

"During this enforcement campaign, we will conduct checkpoints, saturation patrols and ticket drivers who violate traffic safety laws," Billeaud said.

In the year of 2000, motor vehicle crashes took the lives of 1,946 child passenger vehicle occupants from birth to age 15 and injured nearly 320,000 more, according to The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

As of July, 2002, 133 children, ages seven days to 11 years, have died from air bag-related injuries in a crash.

Participation in crackdowns do work, as child fatalities have dropped by 17% nationwide since crackdowns began four years ago. Six out of 10 children who die in crashes are unrestrained. Nearly half of these children would be alive today if only they had been restrained, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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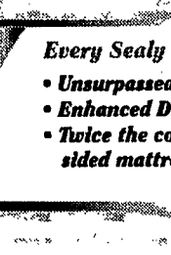
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WILLIAM VANNOTE

SUGENIA DEEN

Sugenia (Jean) Cook Deen, 96, of Ripley, Miss., died Nov. 22, 2002 in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Deen was a homemaker and worked as a beautician and nurses' assistant. She was a former member of First Baptist Church in Ripley.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Inmond Lewis Deen, Sr.; a son, Inmond L. Deen, Jr.; sisters Velma C. Cartwright and Lucille C. Wallis; four brothers, Olin, Owen, Yancey and Haywood Cook; and her parents, John Wesley and Jennie Yancey Cook.

Survivors include a daughter-in-law, Mary Kay Deen of Bay St. Louis; a granddaughter, Parker Deen and husband David Luster of DeCorah, Iowa; and three great-grandsons, Oran, Aidan and Finn Luster of DeCorah.

Services were conducted Wednesday at McBride Funeral Home Chapel followed by burial in Tippah Memorial Gardens in Ripley.

The family prefers memorials to the Alzheimers Association, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1100, Chicago, IL 60611-9408.

BYRON GINTER

Byron Ginter, 90, of Diamondhead, died Saturday, Nov. 23, 2002, in Diamondhead.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

SEAN JOYNER

Sean Joyner, 17, of Hoover, Ala., died Nov. 19, 2002, in Hoover.

Mr. Joyner was a native of Pass Christian and was a resident of Hoover since 1984. He attended Pass Christian Elementary Kindergarten through fifth grade and was a senior at Hoover High School. He was a member of Sardis Baptist Church in Birmingham where he was a junior deacon, choir member, nursery worker and Youth Department member. He was baptized at Goodwill Baptist Church in Pass Christian at an early age.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Warren Woods Sr. and his paternal grandfather, Mr. Joyner.

Survivors include his mother, Cynthia Woods Joyner of Hoover, Ala.; his father, Harold Joyner of Ensley, Ala.; his sister, Tranece Joyner of Hoover; his maternal grandmother Dorothy H. Woods of Pass Christian; his paternal grandmother, Lena Adams of Jackson; and a niece, Kyra Joyner of Hoover.

Visitation was Wednesday at Goodwill Baptist Church in Pass Christian followed by services and burial in Baptist Cemetery in Pass Christian.

Lockett-Williams' Mortuary in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

KARL KERN SR.

Karl E. Kern Sr., 75, of DeLisle, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Kern was born March 25, 1927 and was a former merchant marine and businessman. He was a heat operating engineer at Keesler Air Force Base for 16 years and was a real estate broker for 20 years. He owned and operated Mr. K's One Stop in DeLisle for 16 ears and was a member of American Merchant Marine Veterans; a life-time member of VFW Post 407, DeLisle; a member of American Legion Post 139, Bay St. Louis; and a member of Masonic Lodge 422 F&AM. He also was a member of St. Paul Carnival Association in Pass Christian and served as 1982 King Christian III. He attended DeLisle Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur T. Kern and Alice Parish Kern; a sister, Valeria Newman; and a granddaughter, Karla Cuevas.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Audrey Woodcock Kern; sons Karl E. Kern, Jr. and Chris Kern, both of DeLisle; three daughters, Paula Prestwood of Laurel, Sammie Kern of Mobile, Ala., and Robin Cuevas of DeLisle; and six grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at DeLisle Baptist Church. Services were conducted Wednesday at the church followed by burial in Old DeLisle Cemetery in Harrison County.

Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

IMOGENE LIBERTO

Imogene Reggio Liberto, 88, of Diamondhead, died Monday, Nov. 25, 2002.

Mrs. Liberto was a native of New Orleans and was a resident of Diamondhead. She was a homemaker and a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Sidney J. Reggio Sr.

Survivors include her husband, Ignatius Liberto; two sons, Sidney J. Reggio Jr. and Richard N. Reggio; a daughter, Jill Reggio Schultz; a brother, Cyril Brunner of Midlothoian, Va.; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, Nov. 29 at 1 p.m. at Lake Lawn Metairie Funeral Home Chapel, 5100 Pontchartrain Blvd., in Metairie. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The family prefers contributions in memory of Mrs. Liberto to the Bay St. Louis Library or masses.

For directions and to sign and view the family guest book, go to www.lakelawn-metairie.com.

WILLIAM LITTLE

William Berry Little, 74, of Waveland, died Saturday, Nov. 23, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Little was a native of Columbia and a resident of Waveland for 40 years. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Bay St. Louis and a member and supporter of the National Rifle Association. He was retired from employment as an antique furniture restorer.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marla Little; his parents, Luther and Minnie Bell Little Sr.; a brother, Luther Lee Little Jr.; and two sisters, Norma Butler and Myrtle Pevay.

Survivors include a daughter, Lynne Benvenutti Hurst of Jacksonville, Ala.; two stepdaughters, Jane Shattuck of Pensacola, Fla., and Lea Ann Crosby of Bay St. Louis; two stepsons, Riley H. Walker of South Dakota and James Gary Walker of Tampa, Fla.; a brother, Robert Little of Long Beach; a sister, Elizabeth Day of Baton Rouge, La.; and three grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by services in the funeral home chapel and burial in the Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

G. LYNN MCGEHEE

G. Lynn McGehee, 76, of Waveland, died Saturday, Nov. 23, 2002, in Waveland. Mr. McGehee was a native Mississippian and a resident of Waveland for the past 30 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen G. McGehee, MD. Lynn and Helen opened their family practice clinic in Waveland in 1976.

Survivors include three sons, Grant L. McGehee and wife Patty of Waveland, Thomas L. McGehee of Houston, and Marc Beddoe and wife Kris of Diamondhead; a daughter, Betty Lynn McGehee of Alpine; and four granddaughters, Katherine Rae McGehee, Jamie White and husband Tristan, Sophia Beddoe and Jessie Beddoe; and a sister, Doris Rae Bell and husband Walt.

Visitation was Monday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Services were conducted Tuesday in the funeral home chapel followed by interment in Gulf Coast Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Memorial Hospice of Slidell, 1045 Florida Avenue, Slidell, LA 70458.

AUGUST MONIER

August Jules Monier, 90, of Waveland, died Friday, Nov. 22, 2002, in Biloxi.

Mr. Monier was a native of New Orleans and a resident of the Bay-Waveland area for the past 15 years. He was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church in Clermont Harbor.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen Monier; his parents, Daniel and Louise Monier; and seven brothers and sisters.

Survivors include two daughters, Colette Cox of Waveland, and Lelia Foxx of Ocala, Fla.; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Services were conducted Tuesday in the funeral home chapel followed by burial in Biloxi National Cemetery.

MARY L. MOORE

Mary L. Moore, 74, of Gulfport, died Monday, Nov. 25, 2002, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Moore was a native of Woodland, Calif., and was a resident of Gulfport for over 20 years. She was a clerk with the Gulfport Police Department for 15 years and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Gulfport.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Ethel Leishman; a son, Ronnie Hannagan; and a sister.

Survivors include sons Roy A. Moore of Waveland and Phillip C. Moore of Morego, Ill.; four daughters, Daviann Uher of Ocean Springs, Mary Patricia Kilebrew of Chico, Calif., Vickie Coles of Woodstock, Ill., and Valerie Reyes of Pass Christian; a brother, Robert Leishman of Vinton, La.; three sisters, Betty Hill and Veva Blizzard, both of Sacramento, Calif., and Meba Foster of Mountain Home, Idaho; 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Saturday at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home in Gulfport followed by services in the funeral home chapel and burial in Evergreen Gardens in Gulfport.

DONALD RAY JR.

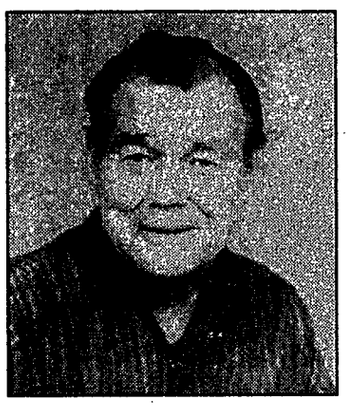
Donald Henry Ray Jr., 55, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Ray was a native of New Orleans and was a resident of Bay St. Louis for 35 years. He was a Catholic and retired from CSX Railroad.

He was preceded in death by his father, Donald Henry Ray Sr.; and a brother, Dennis Ray.

Survivors include his mother, Agnes Ray of Waveland; a son, Donnie Ray III; two daughters, Denee Breckley, both of Pearlington, and Dori Ray of Long Beach; a sister, Linda Ray of Metairie; a brother, Daniel Ray of Waveland; and two grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by services and burial in Lakeshore Cemetery.



FOY SHIRAH

Foy Lee Shirah, 73, of Kiln, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, in Slidell.

Mr. Shirah was a native of Laurel and was a resident of Kiln for the past 20 years and a Baptist.

He was preceded in death

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Here's To You
By: Nacole Lynn Saucier
Dedicated To:
Levon Alonzo Nelson

Heavenly father full of grace,
Bless L.A. while in his place.
For he did not know it was his time,
Only if we could press rewind!
With him leaving us like he did,
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by a daughter, Sondra Shirah; and parents John Henry and Martha A. Haymons Shirah.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Shirah of Kiln; five sons, Daryl , Ronald and Randell Shirah, all of Denham Springs, Michael Shirah and Foy Lee Shirah Jr., both of Kiln; five daughters, Brenda Pickett and Rhonda McAllister, both of Denham Springs, Sharon Carpenter and Rebecca Boehnel, both of Kiln, and Dianna Verdin of Pearlington; and 19 grandchildren.

Services were conducted Tuesday at Catahoula Baptist Church in Kiln with burial in Rotten Bayou Cemetery in Kiln.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

DESSEL A. SMITH

Dessel A. Smith, 82, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Nov. 22, 2002, in Slidell.

Mrs. Smith was a native of Texas and a resident of Bay St. Louis. During WW II she worked in the aviation industry and later established a lengthy career with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers where she pioneered the way for women in the field of drafting and retired as an engineering technician.

Survivors include her husband, Laurent S. Smith; a son, Gary Spencer, both of Bay St. Louis; a sister, Bonnie Dempsey of Lake Jackson, Texas; and a granddaughter, Jennifer M. Maze of Spring, Texas.

Graveside services will be conducted Friday, Nov. 29 at 1 p.m. in Garden of Memories Cemetery in Metairie under the direction of Schoen Funeral Home in Slidell.

HAROLD STACEY SR.

Harold B. Stacey Sr., 65, of Gautier, died Saturday, Nov. 23, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Stacey was a native of Mobile, Ala. He was a retired QA-QC inspector of numerous construction companies. He was of the Baptist faith and a U.S. Marine veteran, Mason, Shriner and a member of the VFW.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harvey and Mildred Stacey.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Stacey of Gautier; four daughters, Sharon Montgomery of Ocean Springs; Gwen Osbourn of Vancleave, Kimberly Meredith and Sarah Rushing, both of Pass Christian; two sons, Harold Stacey Jr. and Glenn Stacey, both of Pass Christian; a brother, Gerald J. Stacey of Pascagoula; 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at Holder Wells Funeral Home in Moss Point followed by services and burial in Serne Memorial Gardens in Escatawpa.

WILLIAM VANNOTE

William G. Vannote, 75, of Bay St. Louis, died Oct. 12, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Vannote was a native of Champaign, Ill. and a resident of the Gulf Coast since 1986. He was a retired machinist.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Charamon Vannote, and two sons, Jack and Jeff Vannote.

Survivors include five daughters, Judy Peddcoart of Monticello, Ill., Susan Smith of Gulfport, Virginia Thomas of Woodstock, Ill., Mary Tuman of Buffalo Grove, Ill., and Melissa Zabinski of Paletine, Ill.; two sons, James W. Vannote of Danville, Ill., and Jeffrey Hendrickson of Downers Grove, Ill.; 18 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Tuesday at Biloxi National Cemetery.

Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

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The Hancock County Sheriff's Department hosted an educational luncheon with RSVP on Friday. Safety issues and other senior problems were the topic of talks given by law enforcement officers. Officers hope that education will reduce the possibility of area seniors becoming victims of scams and other typical crimes against the elderly. Local officers hope to join together in a project with home health organizations, retired attorneys and others that can offer their help and advice to seniors. Funding for the project comes from a TRIAD grant obtained by the Sheriff's Department.

Boomer to visit Hancock County Library's Holiday Tree Gala

Boomer, Boomtown Casino's mascot, will visit the 2002 Hancock County Library System's Holiday Tree Gala, set for Sunday, Dec. 8, from 1 to 4 p.m. art the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

Santa Claus and Louie St. Louis the Alligator, the library system's mascot, will also also be on hand to visit with the children.

The St. Rose de Lima Gospel Choir will provide holiday music for the event performing at 2:30 p.m.

More than 66 local businesses, organizations and schools will display decorated trees throughout the building.

A standard flower show, Peace on Earth, will be presented by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club from 1 to 4 p.m.

Further information on the flower show is available by calling Lynn Nybo at 467-7019 or Alice Holmes at 467-3710.

Nancy Artigues, Carrie Duncan, Carter Church, Lila Taylor and Myron Webb will serve as judges, choosing winners in more than 11 categories, including Best in Show, Most Creative Tree and the Designer Award.

Further information on the Library's Holiday Tree Gala is available by calling Sheila Cork at 467-5282.

May you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving!



From: Bill Cross

Umpires Association meeting Dec. 14

The Gulf Coast Umpires Association membership meeting will be Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. in the Gautier City Hall.

Anyone interested may contact Ronnie Bether after 5 p.m. at 475-0349.



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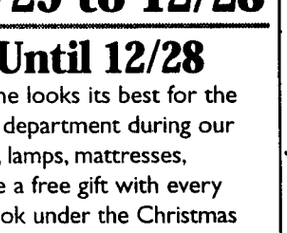
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Seal -- controversy

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from District Attorney Buddy McDonald of the Fifteenth Circuit Court District for Jeff Davis, Lamar, Lawrence, Marion and Pearl River counties, Seal pleaded nolo contendere in 2001 to eight counts of embezzlement. Nolo contendere means Seal did not contest the charges; however, he did not plead guilty.

Although Seal made the plea of nolo contendere, Circuit Judge Michael Eubanks informed Seal he was "making a finding of guilt." Seal's attorney, Glenn White, asked that Seal be non-adjudicated, which McDonald objected to "because of the breach of trust, and the amount of money involved ... we could not agree to and would object to non-adjudication ..."

In his address to Seal, Judge Eubanks said the following: "I'm going to order that you be non-adjudicated and placed on probation under the normal terms of five years, and that you ... not be licensed as an insurance agent in the state of Mississippi or have any licenses in the state of Mississippi concerning insurance ... I'm going to order restitution ... It comes to a total of $12,165.72 ... You'll also have to pay a $5,000 fine and cost of court. The restitution does need to be made out over this term of probation."

For clarity, White said that Seal, with non-adjudication, was allowed to work in a clerical capacity in insurance.

According to the Order of Non-adjudication dated Sept. 14, 2001, Seal's adjudication would be withheld for a period of five years pending the completion of several conditions including the following: Remain within the state of Mississippi; pay restitution of $12,165.72 and a fine of $5,000; not have an insurance license in the state of Mississippi or any other license concerning insurance in the state of Mississippi for this period of five years

The order also stated that upon successfully completing these requirements, Seal will be automatically discharged

"I have never plead guilty to any felony crime of any nature," Seal said in a statement to The Sea Coast Echo. "A number of years ago there was a matter brought forth in Pearl River County where a nolo contendere was entered and the charges were uncontested with no acknowledgment of guilt on my part.

"Judge Michael Eubanks entered a non-adjudication order in that case which basically means he will not rule on the case or will defer ruling until a period of time passes, in my case five years at which time the entire record is expunged as though it never happened."

The Present

With his history now in the public's eye, Seal also faces an issue with how he recently secured a bond from International Fidelity Insurance Company.

Superintendent of Education Mike Ladner and board President Cheryl Bennett said Seal did not comply with the board's policy on securing the bond, which is required by state law for school board members to carry in the amount of $50,000 for liability reasons.

"I have had no difficulty in obtaining a surety bond, I phoned a friend from Carriere, Mississippi, completed an application and was approved," Seal said. "Section 37-6-15(1) of the Mississippi Code clearly indicates that it is my responsibility to provide surety on my own behalf and not the responsibility of the school district."

Ladner and Bennett, however, said Seal did not follow the board's purchasing laws because he did not have a purchase order on the bond.

"No new board member had the manual," said Peggy Ladner, District 4, "and this never happened before. You don't spend the school district's money without authorization."

According to the school board's policy manual about purchasing, "purchasing procedures to be followed by all staff members are made available annually, and all personnel must adhere to procedures established by the business office and approved by the superintendent and the board of education."

The policy also reads that "a purchase order log shall be maintained" and that "school boards shall establish detailed purchasing policies and procedures."

Under the liability heading in the policy, "no individual member of this school board, or agent of this school board shall let contracts or purchase commodities or equipment except in the manner provided by law; nor shall this school board ratify any such contract or purchase made by any individual member, employee or agent thereof, or pay for the same out of public funds unless such contract or purchase was made in the manner provided by law ..."

Also, "in the case of the school board, only the individual members of the board who voted for the appropriation or authorization for expenditure shall be liable under this subsection." Peggy Ladner explained that the board members who approve Seal's expenditure would also be held responsible for it because it was not accompanied by a purchase order.

Seal said he had no knowledge of any violation and had requested a copy of the policy but had not been furnished with one.

"Ignorance is no excuse for violating the law," Mike Ladner said. Another factor in Seal's bond was its cost — $500 per year.

Bennett said her bond, like the other board members, was approximately $800 over a period of five years. She said she assumed Seal's bond was higher than the rest of the board because he was considered a high risk due to his history. The Echo could not confirm this with a representative of the Mississippi Insurance Department because there was no answer at the office on Wednesday.

"I can't rightfully say the district has to pay for his bond just because he got it," Bennett said. "I don't think its the taxpayer's obligation to pay for the overage of his bond as opposed to the cost of other members' bonds because he's a high risk."

"These individuals (Cheryl Bennett and Mike Ladner) have indicated they feel the premium to be excessive," Seal said. "Therefore, they will not approve payment for this bond from a Mississippi licensed insurer which also appears on the Department of the Treasury's list of approved sureties acceptable to the United States of America."

Bennett said if it were possible, she would approve for the district to pay up to what other board members' bonds were, leaving Seal responsible for the rest.

The Future

Both Superintendent Ladner and Peggy Ladner said they would like to see Seal step down from office.

"Personally, I think Seal should resign," Mike Ladner said. "If voters had known his past, they would not have elected him to office."

Seal, however, said his history was known by many voters. Seal furnished the Echo with a letter dated Oct. 4, 2002, with the sender labeled as "Parents of Hancock County Schools."

The letter informed him that it "would be in your best interest to withdraw from the race." It also read that a "large number of concerned parents have met and ... have formed teams which will work at each of the precincts in School District 5 in order to do everything in our power to see to it that you do not get elected to the Hancock County School Board."

The sender further informed Seal that the groups would distribute a copy of an article from The Picayune Item, which briefly described his case in 2001, to every voter on election day. Seal said he visited every precinct on election day and saw no one passing out the articles. He did say he was aware of letters similar to the one he had received that were being distributed around the community.

Both Ladners, however, argued that the majority of voters did not know.

"As far as being accused of failing to let voters know anything about me," Seal said, "I disclosed to anyone who asked and did discuss the matters with several of my constituency as well as everything from school prayer to child discipline. Did I take my old report cards out and show that I may have not made some good grades in school, no, but my district had enough confidence in me to elect me to the position. Now all I can do is the best job that is feasibly possible."

Whether or not the voters knew of Seal's past, Peggy Ladner said she would "like to see Seal resign because I don't think I can work with someone I don't trust."

"If asked to step down, I will not concede the election or resign once I take office," Seal said. "I could not have qualified to run had I been a felon, and I actually delivered a copy of my qualification statement to the Echo on Sept. 6, 2002, attesting to the fact that I have never been convicted of a felony or pardoned and was qualified to run for office."

Both Ladners remain equally adamant about their positions.

"Our children know the board sets policies that their teachers and principals have to follow," Peggy Ladner said. "This sends a bad message to the children and reflects poorly on the board." Bennett said she believes it is not her place to ask Seal to step down because the tax payers voted him into office.

Mike Ladner said the voters did have an opportunity to remove Seal from office according to Section 25-5-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972.

This section reads that "before the governor shall consider the removal from a county office of any elective county officer, there shall be first filed with him a petition signed by not less than 30 percent of the qualified electors of said county demanding the removal of said officer. Such petition shall contain a general statement, in not more than 200 words, of the ground or grounds on which such removal is demanded, which statement shall be for the information of the officer involved, for the information of the council hereinafter provided, and for the information of the qualified electors of the county."

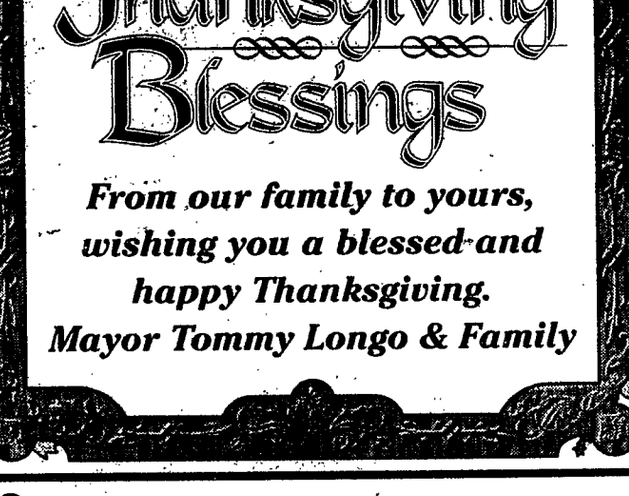
Regardless of whether Seal remains on the board or not, Bennett expressed her major concern with the matter. "It's an unfortunate situation for everyone concerned," she said. "I hate for a shadow to be cast over the school district. We have a lot of important issues to do, and it will take a team to do it."



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(Republican Party)
Jay Fountain (5)
(Democratic Party)
John "Tommy" Longo (7)

ALDERMAN (WARD 1)
(VOTE FOR ONE)

(Democratic Party)
Keith Mitchell (13)
(Republican Party)
George E. Yarbrough (15)

ALDERMAN (WARD 2)
(VOTE FOR ONE)

(Democratic Party)
Ricky Geoffrey (22)
(Republican Party)
Jay Trapani (24)

ALDERMAN (WARD 3)
(VOTE FOR ONE)

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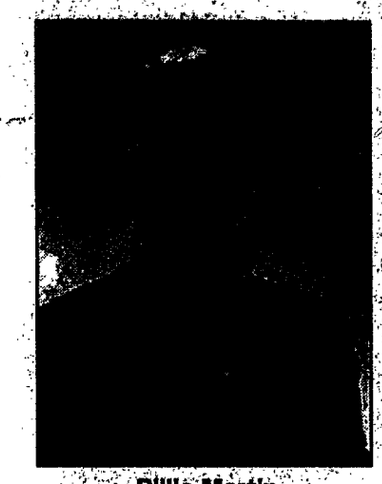
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Bank announces officer promotions

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Hancock Bank President and Chief Executive Officer George A. Schloegel recently announced officer promotions approved during the Hancock Holding Company and Hancock Bank board of directors regular November 2002 board meeting:

Billie Martin, Vice President. Billy Martin serves as division operations manager for Hancock Bank's Mississippi Southwestern Division. A 19-year Hancock Bank employee with over 29 years of financial services experience, she was branch operations manager at the bank's Pass Christian office, an operations officer with Branch Administration, and Help Services department manager.

Martin, an alumna of Petal High School and the University of Southern Mississippi, completed the Mississippi School of Banking in 2001. She is a member of the Bay St. Louis Chamber of Commerce and the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association and serves on the Annunciation Church youth council.

Beverly Metzler, Vice President. She has been with Hancock Bank for 27 years and currently serves as a financial services officer at the bank's Picayune Southside office. The Picayune Memorial High School graduate joined Hancock in 1976 and has completed Hancock University's Courtesy Coverage, Regulation P Compliance, and Consumer Credit courses. She has been a member of the Picayune Chamber of Commerce for 15 years and served two terms on the chamber board of directors. She is a former member of Rotary and the Picayune Main Street board.

Cherie Surginer Randall, Vice President. Now the Hancock Bank Controller, Gulfport native Cherie Randall joined the bank's Controller department in October 1996 as a financial analyst with over 15 years of financial experience and eventually became manager of accounting and financial reporting for the company's Finance division. A certified public accountant, she now manages Hancock's accounting and financial reporting. The Gulfport East High School (now Gulfport High School) graduate holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from the University of Southern Mississippi. Randall is a member of the Mississippi Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Karen Reed, Vice President. New Orleans native Karen Reed serves Hancock Bank's finance division as manager of financial planning. She joined the Hancock team in 2000 as a senior financial analyst. A 23-year veteran of the financial services industry, Reed graduated from O. Perry Walker High School in New Orleans and studied finance at the University of New Orleans. She also attended Tulane University and the Bank Administration Institute.

Gary Yarbrough, Vice President. An advanced life agent for Hancock Insurance Agency, Gary Yarbrough is a Bay St. Louis native who graduated from Bay St. Louis High School. He attended Pearl River Community College and holds a bachelor of science degree in banking and finance from the University of Southern Mississippi. Additionally, he completed the Tulane University Tax Institute and the American College at Bryn Mawr, PA. With 20 years of financial services experience, Yarbrough is a chartered life underwriter and a past president of the South Mississippi chapter of Chartered Life Underwriters.

He is also a past president of the Bay-Waveland school board, past president of Bay St. Louis High School baseball boosters, and past president of North Bay Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization. Yarbrough joined Hancock Bank in 1997.

Hancock Holding Company - parent company of Hancock Bank (Mississippi) and Hancock Bank of Louisiana - has assets of $3.97 billion. Founded in 1899, Hancock Bank stands among the strongest, safest five-star financial institutions in America. Hancock Bank operates 102 full-service offices and 140 automated teller machines throughout South Mississippi and Louisiana as well as subsidiaries Hancock Investment Services, Inc., Hancock Insurance Agency, Hancock Mortgage Corporation, and Harrison Finance Company.

Additional corporate information and on-line banking and bill pay services are available at www.hancockbank.com.

Dauzat named Cell South account executive

Cellular South announces that Miranda Dauzat has been promoted to account executive for Gulfport, Long Beach and Stone County.

Originally from Biloxi, Dauzat has over three years sales experience. She is a member of the Coast, Gulfport and Orange Grove/Lyman Chambers of Commerce, serves on the Orange Grove/Lyman Ambassadors Committee and is a member of New Hope Baptist Church.



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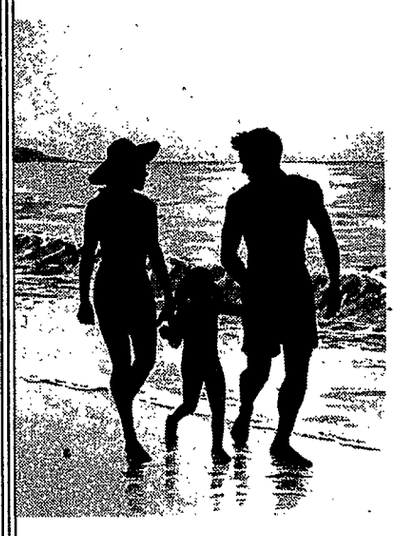
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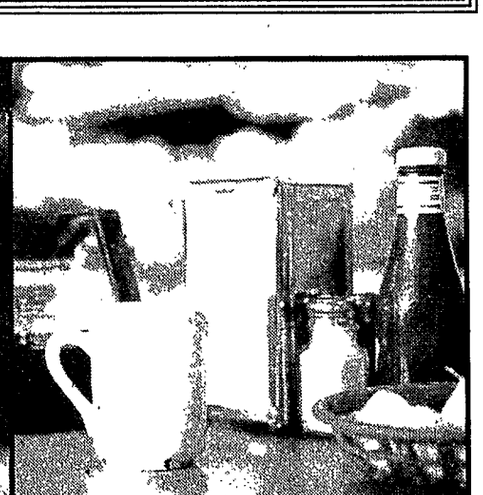
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In the Macy's Parade



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These girls from The Dance Company in Waveland and Diamondhead are currently in New York City preparing for their dance routine for the 76th Annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Out of all the dance companies in Mississippi, The Dance Company was the only one invited to dance in the parade. Pictured above are (front row, from left) Tammy Kieff, Samantha Gregory, Lacey Wahl, Jenna Parker, Heather Necaise, Kayla Mohr, (second row) Amanda Ladner, Joelle Kiefer, Lacie Cwiklik, Tiffany Loyd, Amanda Pucheu, Brooke Raphael, Erica Ammentorp and Whitney Hudson.

NASA scientists at Stennis Space Center
Study water quality in their own back yard

Dozens of fishing boats creep along a cypress-lined shore, each guided by a seasoned fisherman. One veteran angler senses a clue and glidés slowly toward a shallow cove where a trophy-winning fish is certainly lurking — just out of view. There's something there, but it's not a bass.

Buried down in the sand and silt of the lake's bottom lies a rainbow of different noxious chemicals — relics of 100 years of industry in the region. Boat motors stir them up and so do wind-driven waves. The fisherman does not notice what's happening, but a satellite passing 700 km overhead does. It snaps a picture of the lake and beams the data to Earth, where NASA scientists note areas of water that are less reflective than usual — a result of the stirred-up, or re-suspended, sediments.

City officials and environmental regulators can hardly wait to see the data. They hope it will help answer some important questions, such as how much sediment is dumped into the lake by an adjoining river, or whether pollutants buried in a patch of lakebed near an abandoned paper mill pose a threat to swimmers at a beach on the far side of the lake.

NASA scientists at Stennis Space Center hope one day to be able to answer questions like these about re-suspension by using satellites.

Currently, monitoring suspended sediments is done by hand, a challenge for bodies of water that cover hundreds or even thousands of acres. Scant data gathered at a few monitoring stations provide only a glimmer of what's going on.

Around the country, there are dozens of reasons to monitor stirred-up sediments. Shellfish harvests in Northeastern bays, for example, are affected by sediment levels; so is the rich biodiversity of Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf coastal estuaries. Further inland, nutrients released by stirred-up sediments can nourish microscopic phytoplankton in freshwater lakes and trigger algal blooms that choke the lakes' plant and animal life.

This need for wide-area monitoring is what has motivated NASA scientists at Stennis Space Center to explore how satellites might help. And after six months studying Lake Pontchartrain, just north of New Orleans, they think they have a system that works.

"We've talked to city planners, [environmental regulators and other] decision makers — and they've said they would welcome NASA's assistance," said NASA's Richard Miller, chief scientist for the Earth Science Applications Directorate at Stennis Space Center and the manager of the project.

Miller's team monitored Lake Pontchartrain using two instruments in space: NASA's SeaWiFS and NOAA's Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer (AVHRR). Both measure the reflectance of the water — an indicator of turbidity and stirring.

A certain amount of stirring will occur just because of the action of wind-driven waves. This is called "natural re-suspension." To account for it, Miller's group uses a computer model to calculate the expected amount of stirring based on wind speed, wind direction, and the depth and shape of the body of water.

The computer runs its simulation and produces a number the scientists call the index of resuspension intensity. Plotted over the area of the body of water (in the form of false colors or contours) this number maps out the expected resuspension due to wind and waves.

"For the environments in Lake Pontchartrain, our index of re-suspension intensity correlates well with our satellite imagery," Miller said.

Sometimes, though, they spot suspended particles in a place not predicted by the computer model. Such irregularities might be evidence of human activity – such as fishing in shallow waters – or perhaps a movement of muddy water from another area, set in motion by a passing storm front.

"The results so far are very encouraging," said Miller.

The research team is now starting a new phase of field trials using the Moderate-resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) sensor, which rides aboard two NASA satellites – Terra and the recently launched Aqua – which together will provide two snapshots per day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Ultimately, the researchers want to construct a system for delivering an executive-summary version of the satellites' observations to the regulators and decision makers who need it. The project's goal, said Miller, is to collaborate with decision-makers in the region to design a system that will suit their needs.

He expects that the project could be producing these executive reports in six months' time.

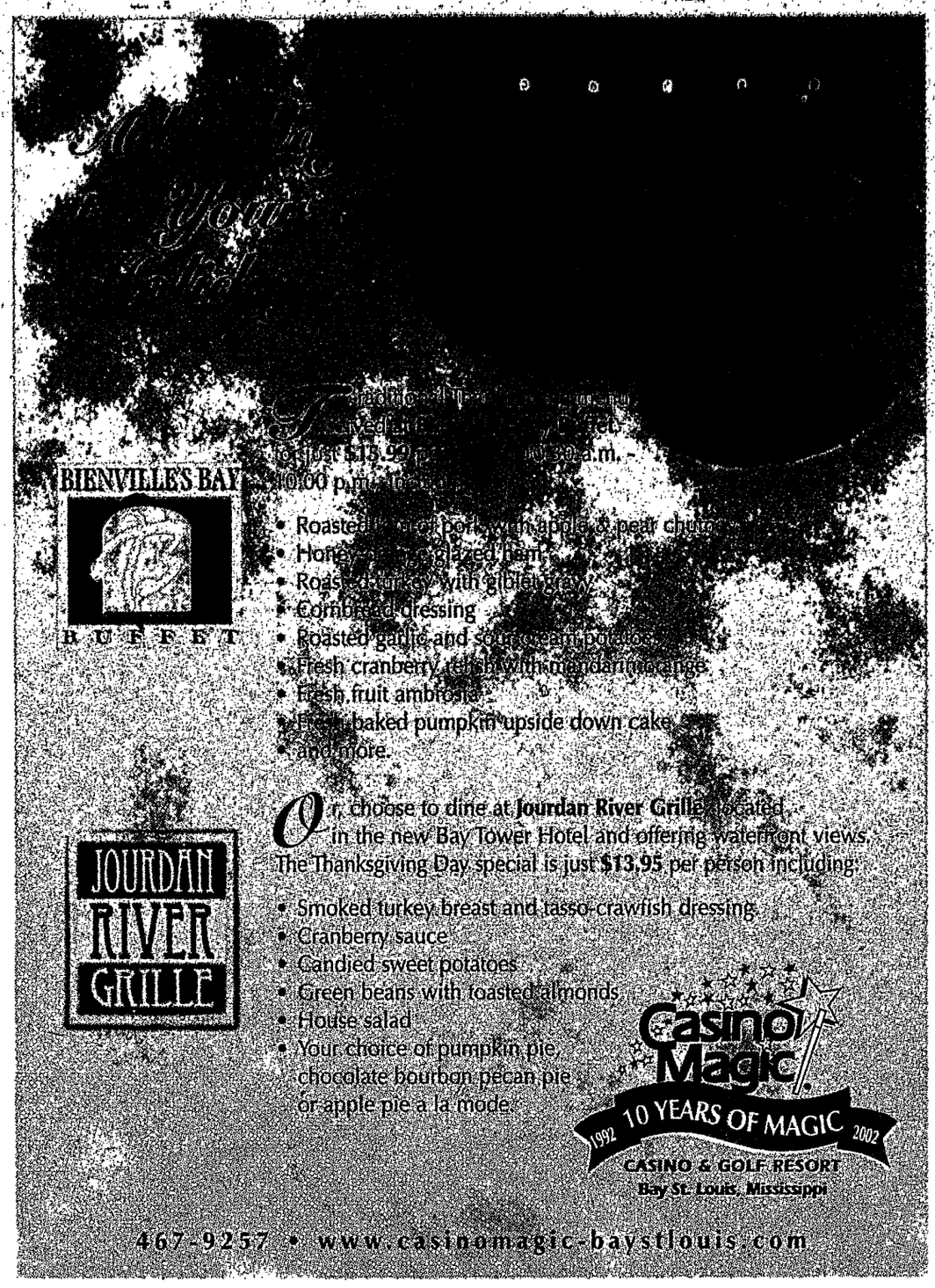
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Ornament packets still at Kiln Library

Ornament packets for the children's tree at the Kiln Public Library are still available for families to put together and bring back to the library.

The library's children's tree is part of the third annual Community Tree Lighting, set for Monday, Dec. 9, at 6 p.m. at the library.

Further information on the Kiln Public Library's Community Tree Lighting is available by calling Sandra Ladner at 255-1724.



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Echo staff photos By Bennie Shallbetter

A few members of the Kelly family gathered at the American Legion Hall Post 139 on Monday to begin preparations for today's Thanksgiving feast. Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. or until the food runs out. The dinner is free and the company priceless say the Kelly family. Everyone is welcome.

One BIG happy family wants *you* along for Thanksgiving



BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

For the past seventeen years Thanksgiving traditions have been a community affair for the Kelly family. Each year since 1985, the family has shopped for and prepared dinner for a growing number of faithful attendees. They expect about 300 people for this year's feast.

Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. today (or until the food is gone) at the American Legion Hall Post 139 on Green Meadow Drive in Bay St. Louis. The dinner is free to everyone. Take outs are also available.

The tradition began at daughter, Beth and husband Cecil Scarbrough's restaurant, Mr. C's. Beth's mother Sally Kelly, worked at the restaurant and the family wanted to do something nice for customers as a thank you for their year long patronization. They decided on the dinner at Thanksgiving.

In 1988 the restaurant closed and it was then that the Bay St. Louis American Legion Hall Post 139 volunteered the use of their hall to the family. The dinner has been at the hall ever since.

"This wouldn't be possible without the American Legion," said Kelly. "They let us use al their utensils, pots, pans, trash bags and everything."

People who come to enjoy the Kelly family's home cooked meal could range from a mayor, to senior citizens who don't want to cook for themselves, to young families with a tight budget or a busy schedule. Everyone is invited and everyone is welcome, said Kelly.

"We all work hard all year and spend what we make and this is the opportunity for grocery stores and businesses in the area to say thank you," said Kelly.

"I gives us a chance to stay in touch with our community," said Scarbrough. "And give a little something back.'

Kelly and her family spend about a month and a half raising

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Avoid carbon monoxide poisoning

BY BONNIE COBLENTZ
MSU Ag Communications

Winter's chill sends people scurrying for the thermostats and space heaters to stay warm, but these comfort items can turn deadly if not operating properly.

Nearly every winter brings stories of individuals or families killed or sickened by overnight carbon monoxide poisoning in closed spaces.

In these situations, even those who attempt to rescue them can become ill or die unless the area is ventilated before they enter.

Victims can survive if they are removed from the area soon enough. Some require hospitalization while they are given oxygen as their body recuperates.

Herb Willcutt, safety specialist with Mississippi State University's Extension Service, said carbon monoxide, the odorless, tasteless product of incompletely burned fuel, displaces oxygen in the body and can kill.

"Carbon monoxide can be produced by such things as a burning candle, a gas or kerosene space heater not properly maintained or operated, automobile exhaust in an enclosed area or a smoldering wood fire," Willcutt said.

When inhaled, carbon monoxide combines with the blood's hemoglobin and displaces the oxygen that normally would be carried. Carbon monoxide does not release quickly, and a high concentration of carbon monoxide in the blood starves the body's tissues of oxygen.

Willcutt said low levels of carbon monoxide concentration in an enclosed area cause drowsiness, headaches, nausea and fatigue in those exposed.

After a longer or more concentrated exposure, the skin turns cherry red and victims suffer a violent headache.

Breathing carbon monoxide for longer periods can lead to unconsciousness, irreversible damage or death.

"The fact that it does not have odor, taste or visible qualities allows it to become concentrated without detection in areas that are not ventilated," Willcutt said.

"When a space heater or other source is producing carbon monoxide in a confined area, occupants may be exposed to gradually increasing amounts and not notice symptoms before it's too late."

To avoid carbon monoxide poisoning, maintain heating equipment correctly and have a qualified technician inspect, clean and adjust units annually.

Another way to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning is to avoid supplemental open flame heaters such as those that burn kerosene, propane or natural gas that are not designed for use in confined spaces. Never allow a vehicle to run in a closed garage even briefly.

As a further precaution Willcutt recommended installing carbon monoxide detectors throughout homes and living areas.

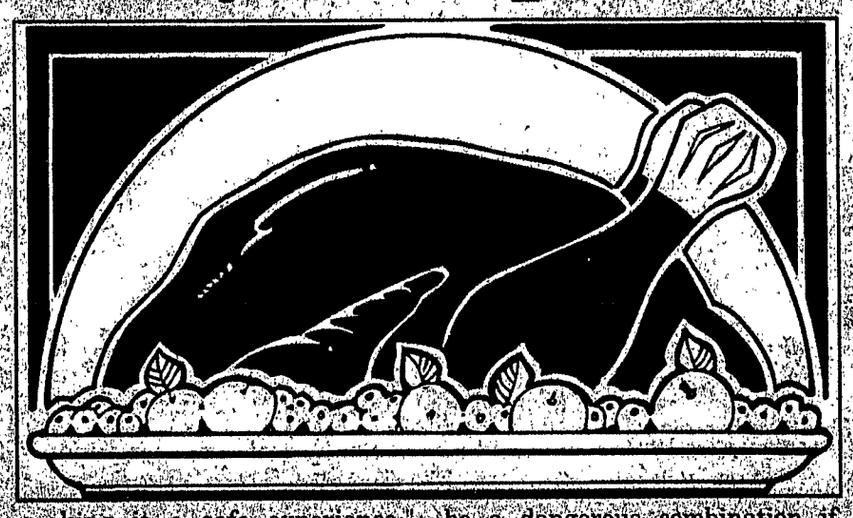
Deep fry a turkey for a special holiday treat

By Bonnie Coblentz
MSU Ag Communications

When another roasted turkey doesn't sound appetizing for Thanksgiving, many adventuresome cooks in recent years have turned to frying.

The goal is not a greasy dish similar to the Southern delicacy of breaded, fried chicken. This kind of frying is an outdoor venture that uses a large kettle of hot oil over an open flame to cook a whole turkey to a golden brown.

Melissa Mixon, food safety specialist with Mississippi State University's Extension Service, said frying works if the turkey is completely thawed and is not stuffed.



"The key to frying a turkey is making it a safe experience," Mixon said. "The open flame and the large amount of boiling oil can be a dangerous combination if cooks and bystanders are not extremely careful."

Select a cooking vessel large enough to completely submerge the turkey in I to 2 inches of oil without it spilling over the top.

"To determine the amount of oil needed, test first by putting the turkey in the pot and filling it with water," Mixon said. "Remove the turkey and measure the amount of water that remains. This is how much oil you will use to cook the turkey."

Choose a safe outdoor location for cooking the turkey. Pour the correct amount of oil into the clean, dry cook pot and heat the cooking oil to 350 degrees. Carefully lower the turkey into the hot oil, and cook for about

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The Sea Coast Echo

SPORTS

Wildcats come from behind to stop Patriots

THE SEA COAST ECHO

PERKINSTON Pearl River Community College pulled off a last-minute rally to spurn Northwest Shoals' upset hopes here Tuesday in the Mississippi Gulf Coast Classic Tournament, taking an 88-83 come-from-behind victory to improve to 8-1 on the season.

The scrappy Patriots from Muscle Shoals, Ala., held on to a narrow lead for most of the second half, but the Wildcats scored four unanswered points in the last 36 seconds of play to take the five-point victory.

Pearl River smashed East Mississippi 84-59 in Monday's opening-round action and most felt Northwest Shoals would be easy pickings for the Wildcats after the Patriots were bombed 87-52 by host Mississippi Gulf Coast Monday night.

NWS led 5-0 early, but PRCC answered with an 9-2 run, capped by a three-point play by Yandell Brown of Eastman, Ga., with 16:22 left in the first half. The Pats kept it close and fought back to take a 22-20 edge when Johnathan Odom sank his first of two three-pointers with 10:30 left before intermission.

Northwest Shoals built its lead to as much as 7 before PRCC blistered the Patriots with a 16-2 run to go up 36-29 with 1:40 left in the half. The Pats finished the half with an 8-1 run to cut the Wildcats' lead to 39-37 at the intermission.

NWS tied it up at 53-53 with 14:00 left in the game, then Odom sank his second trey to put the Patriots up by 3. Northwest Shoals hung on to a narrow lead for the next 12 minutes, but point guard Kitt Jones of Forrest County AHS pulled off a three-point play to make it 81-79 with 2:30 left.

Odom answered by sinking to foul shots to tie it up at 81-81, then Tim Kelly hit a bucket with 1:10 left to give NWS its last lead of the game at 83-82.

Ray Selvage of Baton Rouge pulled off a three-point play with 36 seconds left, then Carlos Cole and Keesler Johnson, both of Hattiesburg High, ended the scoring sinking four free throws.

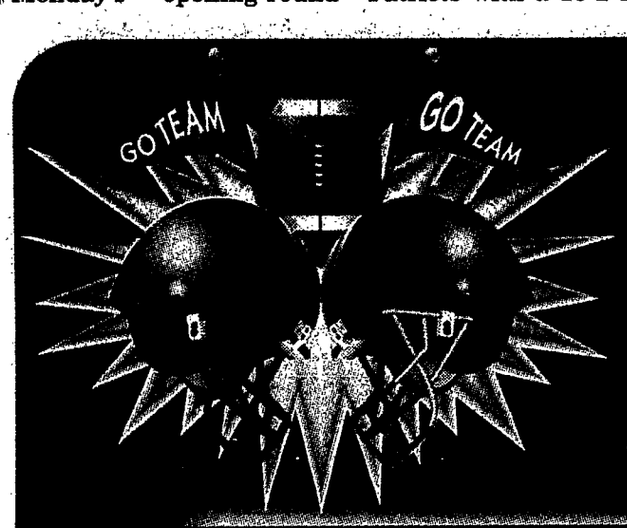
Brown finished the contest with a game-high 28 points, including 3 treys, 7 rebounds, and 4 assists; while Selvage added 14 and grabbed a game-high 8 boards. Jeremy Bragg of Baton Rouge and Keesler Johnson of Hattiesburg High, 9 each; James Ball of Hattiesburg High 8, Justin Miller of North Forrest 7, Jonathan Williams of Stone County 3 (1 trey), Alvin Smith of Forrest County AHS and Carlos Cole of Hattiesburg High, 2 each; and Renard Elzy of Bay High 1.

From the foul line, PRCC was 25 of 42 (59.5 percent), while NWS was 18 of 27 (66.7 percent).

The Wildcats shot 49.1 percent (28 of 57) from the field, while the Patriots hit a 47.5 percentile (28 of 59). NWS hit 36 percent (9 of 25) from three-point range, while PRCC hit 38.5 percent (5 of 13).

Following the Thanksgiving holidays, PRCC returns to action Thursday, Dec. 5, when it opens its women's and men's South Division schedules against East Central in Decatur (women 6 p.m., men 8 p.m.).

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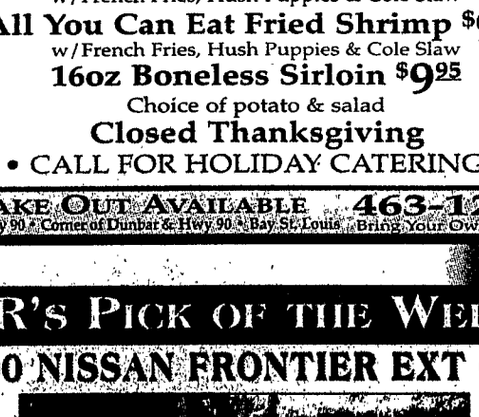
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SSC shoots past Hawks 80-57; Lady Hawks down Wayne Co.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Hancock Hawks and the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws locked horns in a heated rivalry matchup on Tuesday in the Brother Peter Memorial Gymnasium with the Rocks taking home an 80-57 victory.

Gabe Willis scored 8 points in the opening period for the Rocks (5-1) while Mario Faranda added 6 points as SSC jumped out to a 21-10 lead.

Darren Boone iced two free shots to give Hancock (4-3) their last lead of the game 6-5 with 6:12 left to play in the period.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner commented, "We are very happy with the win and it was a goof one for us. I thought at times we played well, but we also saw things that we needed to improve on. I was extremely disappointed in our free throw shooting (25-of-50 at the foul line). Brett Amond played a type of game that we need him to play. Gabe Willis did a solid job on the floor despite playing sick. Darius Acker bounced back with a solid game tonight after a bad game against Gulfport. That is what good players do."

The Rocks outscored the Hawks 22-9 in the second period en route to a 43-19 halftime lead. Rob Murray opened the scoring in the second period for the Rocks with a trey. Darius Acker had the hot hand in the period with 11 points for SSC.

The third period was a close one between the two rivals with SSC edging Hancock 18-16 on the offensive end. Faranda led the Rocks with 7 points including a flush with 6:02 left in the period. Boone and Jeremy Strief led Hancock with 5 points each in the period. SSC led 61-35 after three periods.

Adrian Boone came alive in the fourth period for Hancock and scored 8 points as the Hawks cut into the Rock lead. The Hawks outscored the Rocks 22-19 in the period but it was too little too late. Faranda dunked a second time to start the fourth period scoring for SSC. Amond added his own dunk later in the period to help seal the win.

The Rocks were led by Darius Acker's 22 points and 4 assists. Gabe Willis and Mario Faranda were the other top two scorers for SSC with 16 and 15 points, respectively. Brett Amond added 14 rebounds and 5 blocks to his credit in the win.

Hancock was led by Darren Boone with 11 points in the game.

Hancock head coach Michael Ladner stated, "We did not play up to our potential tonight. SSC outplayed us in the game."

The previous night, the Lady Hawks of Hancock recorded a big 76-67 win over Wayne County in Kiln to push their record to 7-3 overall.

The Lady Hawks were led by Brooke Necaise's 28 points. Devin Necaise, a Memphis Tiger signee, added 21points and 5 assists in the win. Courtney Craft was the other double-digit scorer for the Lady Hawks with 10 points.

Hancock head coach Pam Slayton stated, "This was a very big win for us. To rebound from a tough loss to Bay High and win this game was huge for us. We needed to gain a win over a quality opponent. We were more effective in what we were trying to do on the court this evening. We are entering a very tough part of our early schedule and we needed a good effort tonight. I am very pleased with our performance."

On Saturday, November 23, the Lady Tigers of Bay Highdefeated the Lady Hawks of Hancock for the second time this season 64-57 in the finals of the Gautier tournament.

On Friday evening, the Lady Tigers disposed of Gautier 74-40 with Kendra Reed pouring in 29 points. Carmen Labat added 23 points and LaMonica James 11 points in the win.

The Hancock boys gained their fourth win of the season with 74-72 win over North Forrest on Friday. Braxton Rockwell scored 22 points and pulled down 7 rebounds in the contest.

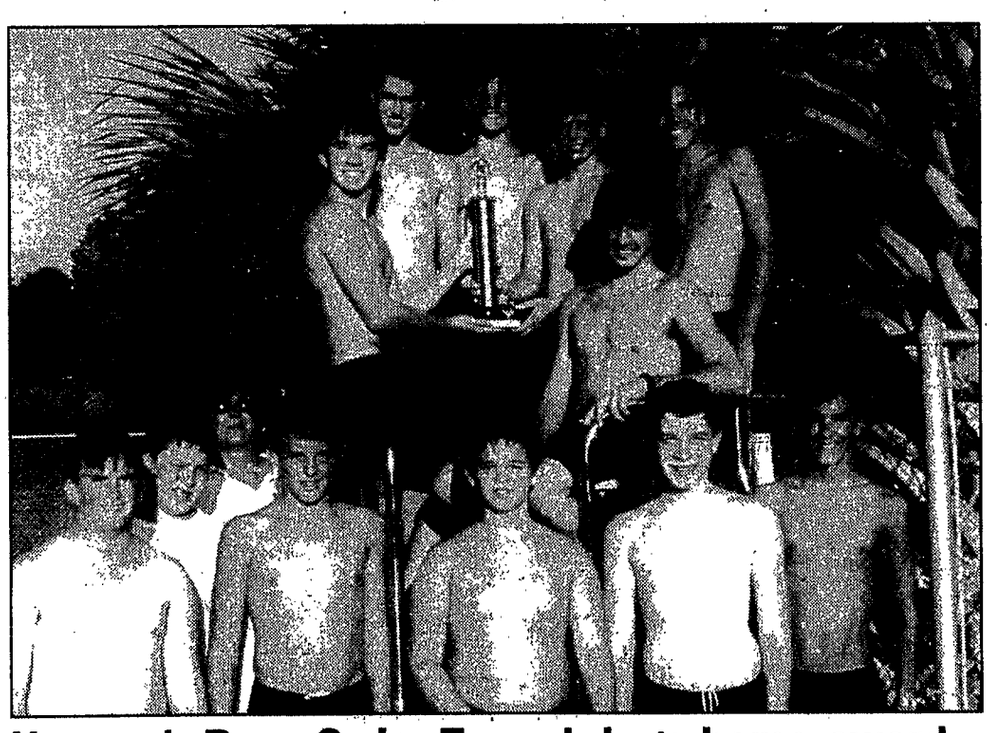
The Bay High boys dropped a game in the Poplarville tournament to Oak Grove 72-65. Bay High (0-4) led at halftime 36-35 but foul trouble became a problem for the young Tigers.

Bay High head coach Alan Lumpkin stated, "This was an important game for us to come in and play well after a disappointing loss to Poplarville. I am very proud of our effort tonight and our attitude. We came up short against a talented team in Oak Grove.

Eric Lymuel led three double-digit scorers for Bay High with 19 points followed by Lorenzo Lewis with 14 and George Easley with 12.

The Hancock Hawks Invitational and the Rock-a-chaw Classic will be played December 6-7 at the respective high schools. See you at the game!

Making a Splash



Hancock Boys Swim Team brings home award

The Hancock Boys Swim Team brought home the second place trophy from the September Splash Invitational held at USM. Sixteen high schools entered this early season meet. In the picture, bottom row, are Tim Joost, Chad Raffo, Coach Barbara Gibbons, Michael Lind, Ian Keenum, Trey Swanson, and Jameson Raffo; top row, Chris White, Ryan Chauvin, Thomas Donaldson, Ian Blakeney, Adam Rosser and JJ Averill.

OLA continues to win in high school soccer play

OLA-Harrison Central

Defending state champion Our lady Academy downed Harrison Central 3-0 Tuesday in soccer. Julie Reboul scored two goals for the Crescents and Kara Harshbarger had one goal and two assists. Katherine Milner also had an assist. Annie Giardino recorded the shutout in goal as OLA ran its record to 6-0.

The Crescents will host the Gulfport Lady Admirals on December 2 at 7 p.m.

OLA-Oak Grove

Our Lady Academy blanked the Oak Grove Lady Warriors 1-0 Saturday in high school soccer play in Bay St. Louis. Julie Reboul scored the winning goal on an assist from Kara Harshbarger. Annie Giardino recorded the shutout in goal for the Crescents.

The junior varsity contest ended in a 2-2 tie. Emily Hoff and Lauren Renz scored goals for OLA and Whitney Siewert had an assist.

OLA-Biloxi, Jr. High

Our lady Academy junior high won its opening game of the season 3-0 over the Lady Indians Monday in Biloxi.

Shelby Wild, Margaret Rittiner and Jaimie Reisch scored goals for the Crescents. Amanda Meyers had two assists. The shutout was recorded by Bri Johnson and Amelia Simpson in goal.

The team will host St. Scholastica on December 5 at 5:30 p.m.

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The careers of Art and Aaron Neville began in the early 50's around the street corners, on the porches and at house parties in the notorious Calliope Projects. Energetic, but with little else to do, it was only natural for them to pick up the rhythms and moods of the city they were so much a part of. Art first came to note well before Elvis, having recorded "Mardi Gras Mambo" with The Hawkettes in 1954. "Mardi Gras Mambo" continues to get heavy airplay and respectable sales during the local Mardi Gras festivities.

After the four put together careers separately and not having played together for eight years, the brothers united to help record the universally acclaimed "The Wild Tchoupitoulas" a year after their mother's death in 1975.

They credit their uncle, the flamboyant Mardi Gras Indian George (Chief Jolly) Landry, with getting them to join forces.

"He told us that our mother and father had always wanted to see us work together as a band," Charles recalls. "He knew that if we got together as a family, it would happen." The brothers became a best-loved local attraction and in 1988, they won a Grammy with the sublime Daniel Lanois-produced "Yellow Moon."

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They also contributed the song, "Let That Hammer Fall" to the movie "Posse."

The Neville Brothers have been hailed by music writers in nearly every major periodical in the country and their live performances are legendary. Don't miss The Neville Brothers at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis December 27 at 9 p.m. Must be 21 to attend.

Bay Little Theatre to present 'The Nerd'

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will present "The Nerd" at the John F. Holmes Playhouse Dec. 6-8 and 13-15. The play, written by Larry Shue, is a comedy based on the relationship between two men, one of whom saved the other's life in Vietnam. They never really met one another, and long after their war experience is over, they make arrangements to get together.

Willum, an up-and-coming architect played by Owen Sullivan, receives a message that Rick Steadman, the Nerd played by Arthur Bailey Jr., is coming to town. Willum has been bragging for years to his friends about the man who saved his life and cannot wait to meet him.

His delight soon fades when it becomes apparent that Rick is a hopeless Nerd – a bumbling oaf with no social sense, little intelligence, and less tact. Rick's brief visit becomes endless. His continued presence with Willum and his friends leads to one uproarious incident after another, until the normally peaceful Willum finds himself contemplating violence to end the situation.

Show times are at 8 p.m. Friday through Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Admission is $12 for adults and $7 for students 17 and below. Season tickets for this and the rest of the 2002-2003 season are available. Call the theater for reservations at 467-2587. Tickets will be available at the door on the night of the show.

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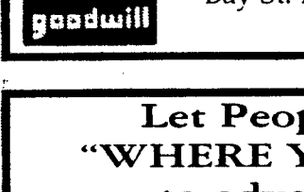
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Family -- you're invited

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contributions from local groceries and businesses to fund the yearly event. Members of the large Kelly family who are now living in other areas also contribute money to the event. The Kelly family furnishes the turkey for the traditional dinner.

The fundraising is not the only part of the event that is a family affair. All local members of the family will be involved in the shopping, cooking, serving and cleanup of the dinner.

Sally and her husband Paul have nine children, 41 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. This year, Kelly said, she thinks three or four of the girls and their husbands and children will be helping with preparations. The Kellys don't turn down any volunteer help either, and some people return to help year after year, said Kelly. Helping has become their family tradition, she said.

"It's enjoyable to have the family time and share time with everyone else," said daughter Nancy Bosarge. "This is Thanksgiving, and this is the giving part."

The meal is served restaurant style so teens and older children will greet people at the door and seat them and serve them dinner and drinks, she said. Younger children will help with decorations, setting out candy bowls and icing cupcakes, which are made at the hall the night before.

Several members of the family will show up before sunrise on Thursday morning to begin preparations of the turkey, dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetables and salad. Desserts are made in advance by Kelly and her daughters. The line up of sweet treats offered are incentive enough to attend the event. The family will make pumpkin pie, sweet potato pie, banana pudding, cookies, and fudge.

"I love cooking the pies and watching people enjoy them," said daughter Julie Massengill.

"God has truly blessed our family and this is our chance to give thanks," said Bosarge.

Fried -- crank it up a notch

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three to five minutes per pound.

"Never leave the hot oil unattended," Mixon said. "Hot oil can cause terrible bums to humans and can be a fire hazard to objects nearby."

The turkey is done when a food thermometer measures 180 degrees in the thigh. Remove the turkey from the oil, drain the cavity and set it on paper towels. If the turkey is not completely cooked, immediately return it to the hot oil for additional cooking time.

"It's quite normal for the skin to be dark brown or almost black. Some of the extremities, such as the wing tips, may even be a bit burnt," Mixon said.

Let the turkey rest for about 20 minutes before carving. Refrigerate or freeze all leftovers immediately, placing them in shallow pans for fastest cooling. Allow the cooking oil to fully cool and then pour into containers and store in the refrigerator for later use.

While frying has become popular, Mixon said there are other non-traditional methods to cook a Thanksgiving turkey. When grilling, choose a turkey that is 16 pounds or less.

A larger one will remain in the danger zone between 40 and 140 degrees for too long. In gas or charcoal grills, maintain a temperature of 225 to 300 degrees and cook for 15 to 18 minutes per pound.

Smoke turkeys at 225 to 300 degrees. Cooking time is 20 to 30 minutes per pound, and the bird is done when a food thermometer reads 180 degrees in the inner thigh.

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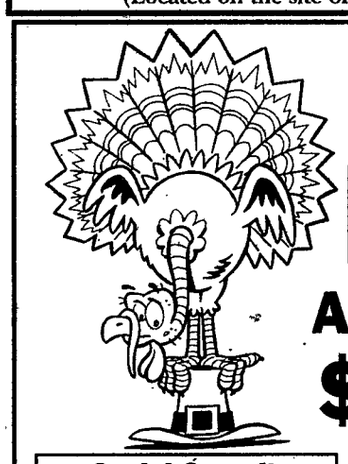
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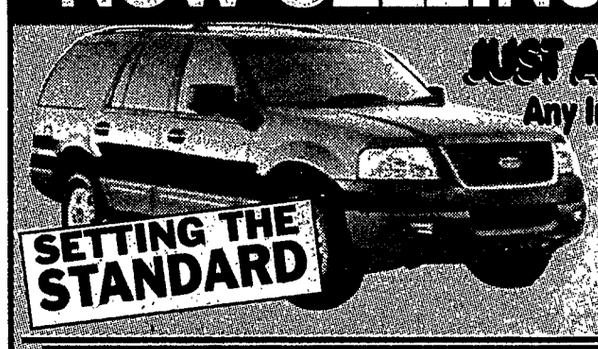
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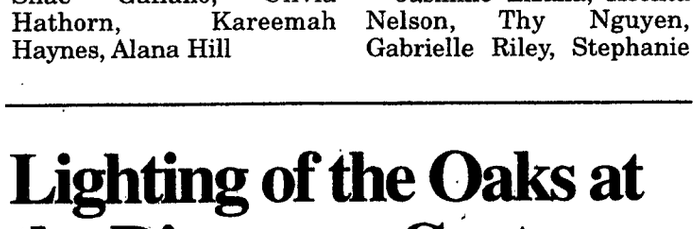
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WAVELAND ELEMENTARY
First Grade

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Terriell Everidge

You buy a turkey from the store. Pour ham sauce on it and cook it in the hot oven for 15 minutes. Then it's ready to eat.
Kasin Arvonen

I buy a turkey from the grocery store. Then just put it in the oven with a holder at the bottom. Leave it in the oven for 45 minutes then take it out and slice it. Eat it with cornbread.
Samantha Daddona

Go find a turkey in the woods. Kill it with a gun and clean it with a water hose. Cook it in a roaster for 50 minutes. Take it out and just eat it!
Cody Fouquet

You buy turkey from store and my daddy cook it. He put it in oven. Get hot and cook it. I like eat it, it's good.
Linda Gieseler

You go hunting for turkey. Find one and grandpa brings it home. Sprinkle stuff on it and put it in the oven with lettuce on it. Cook it for 30 seconds then take it out. Then we eat it together. We say "diner is served."
Deon Hawkins

First you buy a turkey from the store. Wash it off. Spread salt and pepper all over it and then put it in the oven. Cook it at 50 degrees for 10 hours. Take it out and eat it.
Ashley Jorden

Put the turkey on the stove. Put some salt on it like mama do when she cook chicken. Put it in a pan. Let it stay for a little while on the stove to cook. Mama gets the plates and puts turkey on them so we can eat.
Chelsea Robinson

My daddy buy a turkey from the store. Pull the paper out. Then you put it in a turkey cooker and cook it. We cook it for 5 minutes. Take it out and it's done.
Larnelle Lewis

You get a big turkey from the store and pluck the feathers out. Put spices on it and put it in the oven. Cook it for 20 minutes on medium. Eat it with a fork.
Nathan Myrick

I get the turkey from the market. Mamma likes hot sauce on it. So I put hot sauce on it. You cook it on the stove for 5 minutes-Then take it out and eat it with bread.
Alexandra Spoon

You buy a turkey from the store. Take the wrapper off. Cook it in the oven for 1 minute and take it out. Then you just eat it.
Lauren Sanders

Get a turkey from Wal-Mart. Turn on the oven to get hot. Take all the bones out of the turkey. Stuff it with chicken. Put it in the oven and cook it for 15 minutes. Take it out and eat it. I like to eat my turkey with macaroni and cheese.
Everett Spence

First you buy a turkey from Wal-Mart. Then you put some hot sauce in it and on top of it. Cook it for 8 minutes in a hot oven. Take it out and eat it with crackers.
Joaquin Valle

Daddy brings a turkey home in a bag. We clean it with a paper towel. Then we spread salt and pepper and sugar all over it. We fry it on the grill. Then we have a big dinner and eat the turkey with fries.
A'Dyias White

Kill a turkey.
Put it in the uvin.
Take it out of the uvin.
Then eat it.
Patrick Ponder

Cut it up.
Season it.
Rost it.
Then put it in the uvin.
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Terry Bilbo

Cut it up. Susin it. Put it in the ovin. Then eat.
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Chelsea Passantino

Cook the turkey.
Fry the turkey.
Eat the turkey.
Charles Summers

WAVELAND ELEMENTARY
Second Grade

First: Pour the sauce.
Second: you need flour to pour in the sauce and mix it up.
Third: put seasoning.
Fourth: you put vanilla in it.
Fifth: you put a turkey in the oven.
Fifth: you cook it for 3 minits
Seventh: you eat it.
Devon Gavin

You need a big pot.
You need seasoning.
You need hot sauce.
You need flour.
You need to put it in the oven.
You put it on the turkey.
Then you have a turkey.
Kelsi Douglas

I would put some seasoning on the turkey. I would put some tony satcheree on the turkey. I would put it in the oven for one owr.
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Step 1 you buy the turkey from the store.

Step 2 you take it home and un do the thing it came in.

Step 3 then you wash it in the sock.

Stept 4 then you tie the turkey some way.

Stept 5 then yu cook it for 2 hours and 4 minutes.

Step 6 you take it out of the oven.

Step 7 then you eat the turkey

Taylor Richardson

You buy a turkey from the store. You put the dresing on the turkey.

Then you put the Turkey in to bake for 70 minutes.

Then you take the Turkey out of the oven and you eat it for Thanksgiving.

Katelyn Reinchuck

Buy a turkey from the store.

Put it in the oven for 1 hour.

Take it out, put on seasoning.

Make sure it's tenture.

Take it out the oven.

Let it sit for 35 minutes to cool.

Then eat it.

Anthony

Mrs. Lewis' class

At Nov. 19 I bot a Turkey for Thanksgiving.

You cook a Turkey for 6 minits and 1 hour. You can buy a Turkey at Savesiter.

Devon Wise

First you buy the turkey.

Then you wash the turkey.

Then you dry the turkey.

You have too put it in the oven for 2 hours and 4 minutes.

Now you take it out of the oven so it can cool down a little bit.

Now you can eat the turkey.

Ivis Villalta

WAVELAND ELEMENTARY
Third Grade

You will have to catch a turkey. Plump him pull off his feathers. Chp off his feet and chop off his head.

Pull his skin. Pull out his bones.

Put him in the oven for 45 minutes.

Then take him out. Put him on a plate and eat him.

Kayla Hawkins

Buy a turkey pluck off the feathers and cook it.

While that is cooking get some vegetabls and then cook that.

If you want to eat it go right ahead and eat it.

You pick up your mess if you made one.

After all, than go and play a game like pin the tail on the donky.

Samantha Chappell

First, you need to get out your glasses, silverware, plates, napkins everything you need to eat and drink with.

Second, you need to go find a turkey and kill it. Then, bring the turkey home and pick the feathers off and clean the turkey out.

Third, get the table ready the glasses, plates, napkins, and food and drinks all go on the table.

Then, sit at the table and get ready to eat and drink and say a prayer over the food.

Finally, it is time we can eat and drink our yummy, yummy food and say our prayer.

Chse Levy

Get all your stuff you need.

Buy the turkey.

Get prepared to cook the turkey.

Set the table.

Put it on 350 and let the turkey bake for 30 minuts.

Then decorate the turkey and if you want you can decorate the table.

Bryce Gex

First get all your materials out. You will need a turkey, plate, napkin, knife, fork, seasoning, and a syringe.

Get your turkey ready. If you want seasoning put it. If not you do not have to. You can even do the syringe to the turkey.

You have to use your hands to pluck the turkey feathers.

You can syringe him. Now you can put him on the plate and cook him.

You can eat him!

James Laleur

First, get the stuff you need as in a sharp knife, stuffing and a oven to cook it in.

Second, but a hole in and put in stuffing. Then put in oven.

Third, let cool and add spicy spice for that zesty flavor.

Fourth, place on a glass plate and bring to table.

Finally, dig in and get a drink to wash the spice down. Happy Thanksgiving!

Sarah Holcomb

1. First you buy a turkey
2. you take it out the package
3. put it in a pot
4. put it in the oven for about 1 hour our so
5. take it out
6. make sure it's cooked
7. add salt or pepper
8. eat it and say yum! yum!

Brandon Frale

First of all you have to hunt for a turkey or buy a turkey. Second you have to cook it. Then you have to stuff it with stuffing. Finally you serve it. Then presto, you have cooked a turkey!

Corey Anderson

This is how you cook a turkey. You take some turkey from the store and put it on a pan. Next you stick it in the oven. After, you put it to 80 degrees and 10 minutes. After that you put it on a plate that it can fit on and now you have a turkey.

Meghan Maddox

First you get your shout gun and take our family to shout a turkey then you clean it and then you go home and get a pane all ready then put the turkey in the pane.

And put sum tonyes cacheres and some peper on it. Then you put it in the oven and leve it here for two or one hour.

Mark Bourgeois

OVER THE RAINBOW PRESCHOOL

Go to Wal-Mart and buy a big chicken roast beef turkey. Put it in a pot then let it cool off. Put some fresh stuff on it. Put on season salt, oil and butter then eat it all up.

Michaela, age 4

Go buy a turkey at Wal-Mart. Cook it. Put salt and pepper on it. Put butter on it, then we eat it.

Michael, age 4

Daddy hunts for a turkey. Momma cooks it in the oven.

Haden, age 4

Mama gets a turkey from the store. She takes it home and

Then you may eat your Thanksgiving turkey.

Teagan Williams

Daddy gets a turkey from Wal-Mart. He cooks it in the oven with tatoes. Then we put the plates on the table and Me, Mama, Daddy, Cigi Chantel and Cegan eat it.

Chelsie, age 3

Mama has to make a turkey for me.

Jaime Lee, age 2 1/2

We cook out turkey with sausage in it. We stir the salt in it. Then put skettis in it. Then we eat it.

Evan, age 3

Mommy cooks it in a pot. Daddy gets the plates. Shell cooks the cheese, I get the cups and then we eat it all up.

Samantha, age 3

Everybody goes to the food store and buys a turkey. You put it in the black thing that the biscuits go in and cook it. When you take it out its hot. Let it cool off and Mom and Dad will cut it to eat.

Brianna Evans, age 4

Go the turkey place and Mom gets a turkey. Then we go home and cook it. But we can't in the stove 'cause it's broke. Then we eat it with a fork.

Hannah, age 3

CHARLES B. MURPHY ELEMENTARY
Kindergarten

I can't cook. I don't know. My mom just flips it over and makes it burn. She puts it in a pot and stirs it around with a spoon. That's all she does.

Brandon Baker

Get the turkey from the store. Go home and cook it. You have to put it in the oven. Eat it.

Nyquea Williams

You take a pot. Kill him and you cook him. Then you eat him.

Lorenzo Neville

Go get a pan. Put him in it. Cook him in the pan for seven minutes. Then eat him.

Selby Stoufflet

You buy him at the store and then you take him home. Then, you roast him and then you put him on your plate. Then you eat him.

Seth Crowe

We pick the feathers off. Then we get a pot. We put it in there. We cook it for ten minutes. Then we let it roast for a little while. Cook for a few more minutes and put butter in it. I like butter on my turkey. Let it roast for twelve more minutes. Put some more buter on it. Put some jelly in it cause it tastes very good. Let it roast in the pot for a few more minutes. Then take it out of the pot and eat it.

Joseph Clendenon

Put him in a pot and put him in the oven. Take him out. Put him on the table. Then we'll eat him.

Elizabeth Gore

Get the turkey from the store and take him home. Then we take a pot and put hot water in it. Then put him in the oven. I don't know how long he stays in there, maybe five minutes. We take him out and eat him.

Jeffrey Warden

You get a pot and then you put hot water. Put the turkey in. Put him in the oven and that's it.

Jarrell Lee

You buy one from the store. Then you go cook it. Then, after you cook it, you eat it.

Charles Graves

You put it in a pot. You turn the oven on and hit start. You take him out and you eat him.

Joby Bennett

You put some hot in the oven. You pull the feathers off the turkey and put him in the oven. Cook him and eat him.

Daniel Kutz

Kill it, then boil it. Then put it in the stove. Then eat it.

Clay Doyle

EAST HANCOCK ELEMENTARY

You catch the turkey and 20 tea spoons of cofee and pepper and cat fish and bake it for 8 hours 2000 degrees.

Dylan McCardle

You catch a turkey than you put 5 peppers on it and you put 21 sausages.

Put the turkey in for 1 minutes.

Corbin DeStefano

HANCOCK NORTH CENTRAL

First, buy the turkey. Then put seasoning on the turkey. Put the turkey in the oven. Next, take the turkey out, be carefull, it's hot!

Finally, eat the turkey. You got to have a lot of poeple to eat a turkey.

Joshua Ladner

First you thaw out the turkey. Then you put pine apples on it. Then punch holes in the turkey.

Then you wrap it up in tin foil. Then you cook it and you have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and enjoy the turkey.

Tyler Fagan

You get a turkey. You put it in a pan. Then you get some seasoning and sprinkle it on the turkey. Next you put the oven for like 1 1/2 hours or 2 hours. Then you pull it out and get a good turkey.

Karigen Hoda

You will need 1 turkey, a measuring cup, and salad dressing, any kind will do.

Get the turkey, put a cup of dressing in it. Let it sit in the oven for 1 hours. It will be good.

Rachel Michelle Morgan

1. Get a turkey
2. Get a needly
3. Get all of the seasonings you want
4. Get a kniff
5. Get suffing

Steps

1. Stuff the turkey with seasoning.
2. Stick him with liquid craboil.
3. Put stuffing on him.
4. Put him in the oven for 2 hours.
5. Take him out, cut him and eat him.

Lucille Peterson

1st You go in the morning hunting for a tom with a shotgun or a bow marrow.

2nd Then bring the turkey home and cut the head of and save the beard and then pluck the feather.

3rd You've got to get all of the stuff out of the turkey. Then you put some lemon juice on it.

4th You put the turkey on high in the oven and you cook it for 1 1/2 hours.

5th Take it out of the oven and check the turkey if it isn't cooked put it in for 30 minutes.

6th Gather around and eat it.

7th After your finished and if you have the money you can mount the beard.

Jake Pettigrew

1. First you inject the turkey.
2. Put your favorite spices like celery, onions, potatoes and sprinkle some lemen juice on it or some garlic carrots.
3. Next put it in a rotissere or an oven for up to an hour or an half hour.
4. Last you keep checking it or if you don't you will be eating a burnt turkey.

Happy thanksgiving!

Shala Ladner

First, I would get the turkey and pull the fethers off. Then I will cut its head off. Then I would cook it to get the blood out. Next I would put the stuffing in it. Then I will put pineapple on it. Then cook it again.

Emily Landry

You get a turkey. Put it in the oven for 2 hours. Get a tray and put the turkey on it. Get some salt, pineapple and seasoning. Put the lettuce on the pineapples on after that put the seasoning on and then the salt. Then you are done.

Jordan Smith

If I could cook a turkey these things would be in it. Stuffing, seasoning, garlic, onions, and a little bit of potatos. A little bit of a lot more Tony's.

Zachary McLemore

Intructions

1. Put it in a pan.
2. Put an apple in the middle (for flavor)
3. Put turkey gravy on it.
4. Put it in the oven.
5. Turn the oven to 200 degrees.
6. When it gets finished, take it out.
7. Gobble it up.

Tabatha Burns

First you put a turkey in a pan. Then you put a little sauce in the pan. Then you take some parsley and you put it on the turkey. Then you get a funnel and stick it in the turkey and place some season four the taste buds and get it in the oven and let it cook.

Trevor Bennett

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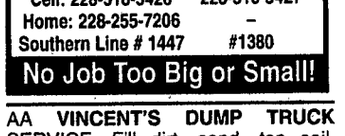
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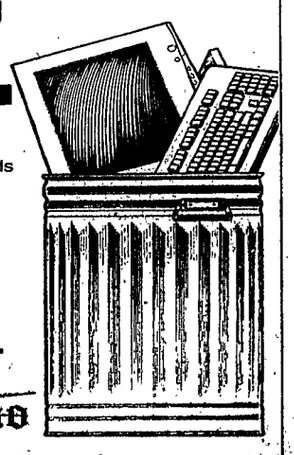
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1985 OLDSMOBILE, DELTA 88. 4 door, one owner, 87,000 mile, $2200. 466-6492.

1988 CHEVY BARETTA. SILVER, V-6, Auto, needs work. $500, 255-1782

1992 GEO PRISM, 97000 MILES, automatic, a/c, 4 cyl., one owner. $1700./obo. Call 466-0466.

'95 BONNEVILLE, V6, 100K. Leather, auto air, tilt cruise, looks good, runs good, dependable. Needs TLC. Below wholesale; $2500. 216-5257.

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138 Trucks, Vans

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143 Real Estate Services

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146 Rooms For Rent

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LIVE FREE IN WAVELAND under new management Oak Park Apartments offers 2 months free rent to qualified applicants. 467-6882

RENTAL: DUPLEX: 3BR/2BA. Quiet neighborhood. All appliances, including washer/dryer. Yard work included. $750/month, $750/deposit. 2BR/1-1/2BA, $600/month, $600/deposit. 467-1239, leave message.

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148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2 OR 3 BEDROOM MOBILE HOME. Work shed, fenced yard, large lot, deck. 467-4992.

2BR/1BA TRAILER FOR RENT IN Kiln, Pet/free. 255-9397.

3 BEDROOM, 2 FULL BATHS: New carpet, clean, neat; $550.00 month. Kiln area. 586-2305.

FOR RENT, SMALL FURNISHED one bedroom utilities and cable included. $100/week and $100/dep. 463-1872.

FOR RENT. FURNISHED 1 BEDROOM. Utilities and cable included. $125/dep. $125/week. 463-1872.

LARGE 14X70 MOBILE HOME. 3BR/2BA. Large yard, washer/dryer connections, double concrete drive. $500 month & security deposit required. 463-1872.

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

GREAT FIXER UPPER. 2 Bedroom trailer with addition built on. Sits on 3 lots. 4250 Gulf St. Shoreline Park off of Ave. B. make offer. (601)799-1925, (228)806,4856.

150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, LARGE Yard. $700.00 month. 469-0016.

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BARTH RD: 2 BEDROOM CABIN on 4 acres. Central a/h. $325/month plus deposit. 868-9462.

150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

BEAUTIFUL 3/2 BRICK HOME with single garage, large fenced yard, storage shed and more in excellent Waveland neighborhood. Totally remodeled - gorgeous! $775 dep / $775 month. 467-1485 / 547-6032.

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FOR RENT: 1 BR., 1 BA., ULMAN Ave., $500., 3 br., 2 ba., new construction, 172 Felicity, $775. 3BR/2BA 803 Spanish Acres Dr. $700. Call Chari at McIntyre Rapp Real Estate, 467-3777.

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SMALL 2 BEDROOM COTTAGE. 349 State St. $425. Appliances plus hook-ups, central a/h. 467-1234.

WAVELAND NEAR THE BEACH: Market St. 1400+/-3BR/1-1/2BA/Cent H&A Wash/Dry Conn/Patio/Car Port/Quiet. $750/Mo/$600/Dep H. Wheeler Realty Svc. 228-547-9208.

156 Lots/Acreage

2 LOTS IN BAYSIDE PARK NEAR school. $4,900. 255-1782

3 LOTS READY TO BUILD. WELL, sewer, light pole on black-top road in Bayside Park. $15,000. No owner financing. 466-0124.

CEDAR POINT AREA BSL 100x101, elevation 14 feet. Appraised @ $32,000. Asking $29,500. 466-5887 after 6 pm.

OWNER FINANCE: LARGE LOT, Pine Ridge, Waveland, $19,000. Gold Coast, 228-467-4479.

WHITE CYPRESS LAKES: OWNER financing. Beautiful acreage lots, waterfront, trailer lots, pool, clubhouse, tennis courts, and fishing. Ten miles east of I-59, Carriere exit. Thirty miles from Bay St. Louis. 228-255-1790.

158 Commercial Property

1100 SQ FT OFFICE ON HWY 90 B.S.L. $850/month. 467-5011.

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159 Houses For Sale

4BR HOUSE, 2,443 SQ FT. 118 Grass St. Idlewood Subdivision, Waveland. Reduced. 467-3601, or 255-5326, 341-3601.

B.S.L.; 435 THOMAS ST., Furnished, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Lot 75'x103'. 7 year old cottage, central a/h. $52,900. 228-467-4715.

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159 Houses For Sale

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OWNER FINANCE; COME WATCH your new home being build. Gold Coast, 228-467-4479.

OWNER FINANCING 3 BEDROOM, w/garage, $65,000. $2,000/down. Total Note/$600. 100 Duthu, corner of St. Joseph, Waveland. Gold Coast. 228-467-4479.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF EMILY SALE GARDNER DECEASED
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
CAUSE NO. 2002-319
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF EMILY SALE GARDNER

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 2nd day of May 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Emily Sale Gardner, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
This 25th day of November, A.D., 2002.
NANCY SALE PARKERSON
EXECUTRIX

Haas and Haas Attorneys
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(228) 467-6574
MS Bar No. 5091
11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY T. LEE, DECEASED
RUSSELL ANTHONY LEE, EXECUTOR
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2002.665
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 19th day of Nov., A.D., 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Dorothy T. Lee, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration, according to law, within three (3) months, from this date. A failure to probate and register any claim within said time will forever bar the said claim.
This the 19th day of Nov., A.D., 2002.
RUSSELL ANTHONY LEE
Executor of the Estate of
Dorothy T. Lee

D. Richelle Lumpkin
Attorney at Law
220 E. Third Street
P.O. Box 1537
Picayune, MS 39466
601-799-0515
11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF JAMES R. SMITH, DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 2002-777
SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HEIRS-AT-LAW OF JAMES R. SMITH, DECEASED

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by ASHLEY P. SMITH, Plaintiff(s) seeking ADJUDICATION OF THE HEIRS-AT-LAW OF JAMES R. SMITH, who are alleged to be Ashley P. Smith. Defendants, other than you in this action are NONE.
You are summoned to appear and defend against the PETITION filed against you in this action, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 2nd day of January, 2003, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse Annex, at 306 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 13th day of November, 2002.
(SEAL)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
P. O. BOX 550
BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520
By: Pamela Cuevas D.C.
11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY E. BLOOM AUBERT
CAUSE NO. 2002-823
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
DOROTHY E. BLOOM AUBERT

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 5th day of November 2002, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Dorothy E. Bloom Aubert deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of the said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 5th day of November , 2002.
KEITH JOSEPH AUBERT
Executor of the Estate of
Dorothy E. Bloom Aubert
11/07; 11/14; 11/21; 11/28/02

BIDS
The Diamondhead Fire Protection District will be receiving sealed bids until 5 P.M. December 11, 2002 for one (1) complete breathing air cascade. The cascade shall consist of four (4) 6000 PSI air storage bottles, one (1) safety fill station, and one (1) 6000 PSI electric air compressor minimum 9.7 cfm.
All required fittings and filters required to make cascade operational should be included in bid price. Bidders should state electric requirements for operation of equipment.
As an option bidders may list an integrated cascade system. The Fire District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. All bids should be made good for at least sixty (60) days from bid opening.
11/28; 12/05/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE RICHARD DUNNE FITZPATRICK
CAUSE NO. 2002-842
ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 20 Day of Nov., 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Richard Dunne Fitzpatrick, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 18 day of Nov., 2002.
KAREN F. VOGEL
Administratrix of the Estate of
Richard Dunne Fitzpatrick
11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
KAREN F. VOGEL
GREGORY M. FITZPATRICK PETITIONERS
VS.
THE HEIRS AT LAW OF RICHARD DUNNE FITZPATRICK DEFENDANTS
CASE NO. 2002-842

TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF RICHARD DUNNE FITZPATRICK, DECEASED, other than Petitioners, whose names, post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry;
You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock A. M. on the 2nd day of January 2003, in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court at 306 Highway 90, Bay St Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.
Issued under my hand and the seal of the Court this the 20 day of Nov., 2002.
(SEAL)
Timothy Kellar
BY Larrinell Scarborough
DEPUTY CLERK
11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF MARJORIE GROFF GIORDANO, DECEASED NO. 2002-843

Letters of Administration, C.T.A., having been granted on the 12th day of November, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Marjorie Groff Giordano, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registering according to law within ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.
This 21st day of November, 2002.
LANIECE RAE GIORDANO SCHEXNAYDER,
Administratrix, C.T.A. of Estate
of Marjorie Groff Giordano, Deceased

Favre, Genin & Scafide
Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 70
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JIMMI OGLESBY PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
JOSEPHINE M. OGLESBY DEFENDANT
CAUSE NO: 2002-881
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Residence Unknown)

TO: JOSEPHINE M. OGLESBY whose last known place of residence was 265 Chutimacha Loop, Charenton LA 70523, you have been made a Defendant in a Complaint filed in the CHANCERY Court, HANCOCK County, Mississippi, by JIMMI OGLESBY seeking, DIVORCE. You are required to mail, or hand deliver, a copy of a written Answer, either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint, to CECIL G. WOODS, JR. PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY, WHOSE ADDRESS IS P. O. BOX 993, GULFPORT, MS. 39502.
Your response must be mailed, or delivered no later than thirty days after the 21st day of November, 2002, which is the first date of publication of this summons. If your answer is not so mailed, or delivered, a judgment by default may be entered against you for the money, or other relief, demanded in the complaint
You must also file the original of you answer with the Clerk of this court within a reasonable time afterward.
(SEAL)
Tim Kellar, Chancery Clerk
Dated 11-18-02
By: Pamela Cuevas, D.C
11/21, 11/28; 12/5/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JANET M. BENOIT PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
GULF BREEZE HOMES, LLC, a Mississippi limited liability company, DIANE ODOM, ROBERT H. McCORKINDALE, FIDELITY FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., and any and all persons having or claiming any right title or interest in and/or to the following real property located in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Lot 39, Block 3, Unit 10, Phase 2, DIAMONDHEAD, according to the map or plat thereof on file in the records in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO: 2002-865
SUMMONS
(SERVICE BY PUBLICATION: RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: A) DIANE ODOM, whose Post Office Address is UNKNOWN, and B) ROBERT H. MCCORKINDALE, whose last known Post Office address is 105 West Berry Street, Foley, Alabama 36535.
You have been made a Defendant in a Complaint filed by JANET M. BENOIT, Plaintiff, seeking to remove a cloud on title and other relief. Defendants other than you in this Action are GULF BREEZE HOMES, LLC, and FIDELITY FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.
You are required to mail, or hand deliver, a copy of a written Response to the Complaint filed against you in this Action to MICHAEL D. HAAS, JR., Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 201 NORTH SECOND STREET, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39520.
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED, OR DELIVERED, NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 21ST. DAY OF NOV., 2002, WHICH IS THE FIRST DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED, OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.
You must also file the original of your response with the clerk of this court within a reasonable amount of time afterward.
ISSUED UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, this the 14th day of November, 2002.
(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,
CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
P.O. BOX 550, BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520
By: Pamela Cuevas, Clerk
11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

COUNTY OF HANCOCK
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, Niccola Livingston executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust to Herbert J. Stelly Sr., said Deed of Trust acknowledged on March 26, 2002 and recorded in Book 691 at Page 496 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, Mississippi; and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust secured an indebtedness therein described, an attorney's fees and
WHEREAS, payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust having been duly demanded by Herbert J. Stelly Sr., owner and holder thereof, same being now due and payable and delinquent , and
WHEREAS, Herbert J. Stelly Sr., the owner and holder of said Deed of Trust and indebtedness secured thereby, having duly requested the undersigned as Substituted Trustee to foreclose said Deed of Trust;
NOW, THEREFORE, I Richard J. Smith, Substituted Trustee, will offer for sale and will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the main door of the Courthouse in Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, within the legal hours between 11:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m., on December 6th, 2002, the following described property, described in said Deed of Trust as follows, to-wit.
Lots 41 through 44, inclusive, Block 83, of the Bay St. Louis Land and Improvement Company's Subdivision of certain lots and blocks of its First Addition to the City of Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi. Together with all and singular, the rights, privileges, improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining
Title is believed to be good, but I will only convey such as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.
SIGNED, POSTED AND PUBLISHED, this 14th day of Nov , 2002.
RICHARD J SMITH, SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
11/14; 11/21, 11/28, 12/05/02

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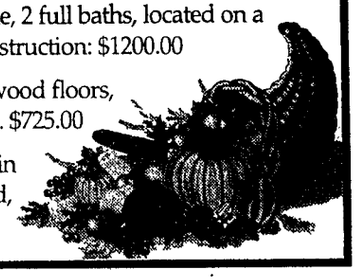
RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED 2 bedroom 1.5 bath townhouse, Over 1200 sq. ft. of living area, ceramic tile, walking distance to Bay-Waveland Yacht club. $725.00

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IN THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
STEVEN P. PEREIRA AND WIFE, MARILYN W. PEREIRA PLAINTIFFS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JOHN L. POSEY, JR. AND WIFE, VALERA D. POSEY, ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND WHICH SOLD FOR 1997 TAXES ON AUGUST 29, 1998 DEFENDANTS
Lot 47, Block 5, Unit 6, Diamondhead, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, at pages 41-42, inclusive in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, being parcel number 067M-1-35-042
CAUSE NO. 2002-878
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO: JOHN L. POSEY, JR. and wife, VALERA D. POSEY, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known and present address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees:
ANY AND ALL PERSONS having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the following described property whose names, post office and street addresses are unknown to the Plaintiffs after diligent search and inquiry, who may be served with process of the Court by publication as prescribed by law.
YOU have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Steven P. Pereira and wife, Marilyn W. Pereira, seeking tax sale confirmation in Lot 47, Block 5, Unit 6, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi Being Parcel No. 067M-1-35-042
YOU are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to: Joseph Kelly, Southern Title Company, Inc., whose address is 827 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. 39520.
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE NOV. 21, 2002, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.
You must also file the original of your response with the clerk of the Court within a reasonable time afterward.
ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court, this the 15 day of Nov., 2002.
(SEAL)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY
BOX 550 BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39521
BY: Erica Candebat
DEPUTY CLERK

PREPARED BY:
Joseph Kelly, (MS Bar No. 9975)
SOUTHERN TITLE COMPANY, INC.
827 Highway 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Telephone (228)467-3422
11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT P. JOLET, DECEASED
PAMELA DUTCHER VAN EPPS PETITIONER
TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ROBERT P. JOLET, DECEASED WHOSE NAMES, PRESENT RESIDENCE AND ADDRESS IS UNKNOWN AND THE KNOW HEIRS LISTED BELOW
1) Robert P. Jolet, Jr. c/o Cunningham Enterprises, 3816 Dauphine Street, New Orleans, LA 70117
2) Darlene J. Sass, 3300 Bradbury Drive, Meraux, LA 70075
3) Patricia J. Jung, 604 Wellington Drive, Pace, FL 32571
4) Duzet J. Bordelon, 1217 Hampton Court, Slidell, LA 70435
5) Henry M. Jolet, 3005 Ventura, Chalmette, LA 70043
6) Desiree J. Balamonte, 3505 Tolmas Drive, Metairie, LA 70002
NO. 2002-880
RULE 81 Publication Summons
TO: the unknown heirs at law whose names, present residence and address is unknown You have been made Defendant in the lawsuit filed in the Court by PAMELA DUTCHER VAN EPPS EXECUTOR, whose address is, 4531 Veronese Road, New Orleans, LA 70128. The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action Complaint to establish heirship and to confirm title of real property and for other relief.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said Judgement or Complaint at 9:30 o'clock, A. M., on the 2nd day of January, A D , 2003, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other thing demanded in the COMPLAINT
You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint to Michael C. Hill, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 1914 24th Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501
You must also file the original of your Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.
(SEAL)
TIM A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
By Erica Candebat D C.
Dated 11-15-02
11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF
DORTHY ELLIS DARTEZ, DECEASED
JYL D. HEDRICK, EXECUTRIX
CAUSE NO. 2002-893
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of DORTHY ELLIS DARTEZ, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 22 day of Nov., 2002 and all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present said claims to the Clerk of said Court and have them probated and allowed within ninety (90) days from this date Failure to do so will bar the claim
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this the 22 day of November, 2002.
(SEAL)
LYL D RICK, EXECUTRIX
John L. Galloway, MS Bar #4385
Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC
Post Office Drawer 4248
Gulfport, MS 39502
228-864-1170
11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Reference: Little Lake Dredging, Entrance Channel Maintenance Dredging and Barge Canal Maintenance Dredging for the Port Bienville Industrial Park.
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for "A) Little Lake Dredging, B) Entrance Channel Maintenance Dredging and C) Barge Canal Maintenance Dredging" all for the Port Bienville Industrial Park, Hancock County, Mississippi, will be received by the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission at 706 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, until 2:00 P.M. CST, Monday, January 6, 2003 All bids should clearly be marked on the outside of the envelope "SEALED BID LITTLE LAKE DREDGING, ENTRANCE CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING AND BARGE CANAL MAINTENANCE DREDGING"
All prospective bidders are cautioned that, in order to be valid, bids over $50,000.00 must clearly show the Contractor's Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number both on the outside of the bid envelope as well as a part of the bid package itself.
Contract Documents may be obtained as follows:
A) Little Lake Dredging:
Compton Engineering, P.A., 3036 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Telephone (228)467-2770 by qualified and licensed contractors upon payment of $75.00. The payment is non-refundable. Contract documents may also be examined at the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission office at 706 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, Telephone (228)467-9231.
B) Entrance Channel Maintenance Dredging.
Gottlieb, Barnett & Bridges, LLC, 3600 Springhill Business Park, Suite 200, Mobile, Alabama 36608, telephone (251)344-1913 by qualified and licensed Contractors upon payment of $50.00 The payment is non-refundable. Contract Documents also may be examined at the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission office at 706 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, telephone (228)467-9231.
C) Barge Canal Maintenance Dredging:
Gottlieb, Barnett & Bridges, LLC, 3600 Springhill Business Park, Suite 200, Mobile, Alabama 36608, telephone (251)344-1913 by qualified and licensed Contractors upon payment of $50.00.
The payment is non-refundable. Contract Documents also may be examined at the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission office at 706 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, telephone (228)467-9231.
The Contractor shall be a qualified general building contractor. The Contractor shall be a licensed contractor in the State of Mississippi.
The Commission reserves the right to waive any informalities and/or to reject any or all bids, as well as to postpone the award of any Contract for a period not to exceed one hundred twenty (120) days from the bid opening.
(Seal)
HANCOCK COUNTY
PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION
By: Harry J. Farve, Secretary
11/28; 12/05/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
WILLIAM VINCENT, JR. PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
MARY HELEN S. WALTERS
I. M. BERTRON DEFENDANTS
CASE NO. 2002-907
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
(A) Mary Helen S. Walters, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known place of residence, post office address, and street address was 719 Sixth Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70115, but whose present place of residence, post office address, and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, if alive and if deceased, her heirs at law or devisees, whose last known places of residence, post office addresses, and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.
(B) I. M. Bertron, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known place of residence, post office address, and street address is unknown after diligent search and inquiry, if alive and if deceased his heirs at law or devisees, whose last known places of residence, post office addresses, and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.
(C) Any and all other persons having or claiming any right, title or interest in and to the following described lots:
Lot 41, Block 148, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit No. 7, Addition No. 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat of said subdivision dated April 30, 1965, filed in Plat Book 3, page 27, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by William Vincent, Jr., Complainant, whose address is 10031 E. Verest Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520.
The complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title.
You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation of the Plaintiff, and in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to Robert L. Genin, Jr., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P O. Box 70, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520.
YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 28 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2002, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT
WITNESS my signature and official seal this the 26 day of November, 2002
(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
BY: Erica Candebat
11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

NOTIFICATION OF REMOVAL OF DERELICT VESSEL
The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources hereby notifies an unknown owner of a derelict vessel hereafter described that the derelict vessel will be immediately removed and disposed. Removal shall commence no sooner than ten (10) days following last publication of this notice. A wood fishing boat approximately 31' long sunken in a canal behind 5050 Georgia Street in Shoreline Park in Hancock County.
In the event that the owner is subsequently located after removal, the owner shall be liable for double the cost of the removal of the derelict vessel and the restoration of the affected coastal wetlands, attorney's fees and all cost of court. Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Ave., Biloxi, MS 39530 (228)374-5000)
11/21; 11/28, 12/05/02

NOTIFICATION OF REMOVAL OF DERELICT VESSELS
The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources hereby notifies an unknown owner of the derelict vessel hereafter described that the derelict vessel will be immediately removed and disposed The derelict vessel is leaking diesel fuel into the waterway and is considered to be an environmental hazard The derelict vessel is a 30' fiberglass hull fishing boat located in Shoreline Park, Hancock County, behind a vacant lot directly west of 10053 Alabama Street
In the event that the owner is subsequently located after removal, the owner shall be liable for double the cost of the removal of the derelict vessel and the restoration of the affected coastal wetlands, attorney's fees and all costs of court Mississippi Department of Marine Resources. 1141 Bayview Ave., Biloxi, MS 39530 (228-374-5000).
11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COASTAL WETLANDS PERMIT AND WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION
The Jackson County Board of Supervisors has filed an application with the Department of Marine Resources requesting permission to conduct regulated activities under the provision of the Coastal Wetlands Protection Law Act, Title 49, Chapter 27, Mississippi Code of 1972 at Pascagoula Front Beach, Ocean Springs East Beach, and Ocean Springs Front Beach on the Mississippi Sound, Jackson County, Mississippi
The applicant is requesting permission to replenish the existing above-referenced beaches with 15,000 to 35,000 cubic yards of sand fill per beach over a ten year period. The sand will be obtained from an upland source in Hurley, Mississippi. The marsh areas along and adjacent to the beaches will be avoided during application of the sand fill.
In compliance with Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251, 1341), as amended by PL 95-217, the applicant will request certification from the Office of Pollution Control that the above mentioned activity will be in compliance with applicable provisions of Section 301 (33 U.S.C. 1311), Section 302 (33 U S C 1312). Section 303 (U.S.C 1313), Section 306 (U S.C 1316), and Section 307 (U S.C. 1317) of the Act and appropriate requirements of the State Law
Any person wishing to make comments or objections to the proposed regulated activity must submit those comments in writing to the Department of Marine Resources at 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530 and the Office of Pollution Control, Post Office box 10385, Jackson, Mississippi 39205 before 1 00 p m on the day December 18, 2002.
11/28; 12/05, 12/12/02

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by Diamondhead Water & Sewer District, 4425 Park Ten Drive, Diamondhead MS until 2.00 p.m. December 13, 2002, and shortly thereafter publicly opened for The surplus sale of the following vehicle Dodge Ram truck 1/2 ton 1992 model VIN 1B7HE16X4NS582789
The vehicle is available for inspection at 4425 Park Ten Dr . Diamondhead during normal working hours.
The vehicle is for sale for sale on an (as is) basis All sales are final. Bids should be delivered to the district office and marked in an envelope
"BID ENCLOSED SURPLUS VEHICLE"
Vehicle will be sold to the highest bidder. Payment must be in cash or certified check and payment must be made prior to taking possession Payment and possession must be made prior to 4 00 p.m Friday December 13, 2002
Warren Swanson
General Manager
Diamondhead Water & Sewer District
11/21; 11/24; 11/28, 12/1/02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 3rd day of April, 1998, Marion J. D'Avy and Violet M. D'Avy, husband and wife, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Julien K. Byrne, III, Trustee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 510 at Page 83; and
WHEREAS on the 29th day of August, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 712 at Page 440 and re-recorded in Book 713 at Page 773; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 6th day of December, 2002, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
LOTS 39, 40 AND 41, SQUARE 613, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, UNIT 6 ADD. 3
I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 3rd day of, November, 2002.
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
1820 AVENUE OF AMERICA
MONROE, LA 71201
318-330-9020
F02-5092
11/14; 11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, there was executed by DAVID E. ALFORD and LESLIE N. ALFORD unto SOUTHTRUST MORTGAGE CORPORATION D/B/A EQUIBANC MORTGAGE, Beneficiary, DAVID WHEELER, Trustee, a certain Deed of Trust, dated March 7, 2002, and recorded in Book 683, Page 119 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust of Hancock County, Mississippi, which said instrument conveys the following described real property, situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
All that certain parcel of land situated in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4, Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows:
COMMENCING at a found 1-1/4" pipe at the Northwest corner of said NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4, thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 07 seconds West (Astronomic) 988.33 feet; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 29 seconds East 50.00 feet to the Easterly right-of-way of J. J Road and the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue North 89 degrees 47 minutes 29 seconds East 1,261.72 feet to a fence; thence along said fence, South 01 degree 41 minutes 34 seconds East 172.25 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 29' seconds West 1,267.57 feet to the Easterly right-of-way of J. J Road, thence along said right-of-way, North 00 degrees 15 minutes 07 seconds East 172.20 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 5 00 acres, more or less. being part of property described in Book BB 200, Page 774.
Together with one (1) 2000 Horton Mirage III 4+2 CMD, 27x76 Mobile Home. Serial No. H174612GL&R.
WHEREAS, SOUTHTRUST MORTGAGE CORPORATION D/B/A EQUIBANC MORTGAGE, appointed DOUGLAS L. TYNES, as Substituted Trustee, in said Deed of Trust, in the place and stead of DAVID WHEELER, by Appointment of Substituted Trustee, dated October 25, 2002, recorded in Book 721, Page 470 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust Records of Hancock County, Mississippi; and,
WHEREAS, default having been made and still continuing in the payment of said indebtedness, as and when due, and the holder and owner of the Deed of Trust and Note securing same,
SOUTHTRUST MORTGAGE CORPORATION D/B/A EQUIBANC MORTGAGE, has requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to foreclose said Deed of Trust as provided therein, in the event of default, for the purpose of raising the sum so secured and unpaid, together with the expenses of selling same, including Trustee's and Attorney's fees.
NOW, THEREFORE, I DOUGLAS L TYNES, Substituted Trustee, under the provisions of and by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in the same Deed of Trust, will, on the 13th day of December, 2002, within the legal hours, at the Main Front Door of the Hancock County Courthouse, in the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, offer for sale and sell said property, at public outcry, to the highest and best bidder, for cash.
The undersigned Substituted Trustee will convey only such title as is vested in him by virtue of the above described Deed of Trust and Appointment of Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 14th day of November, A.D . 2002
DOUGLAS L. TYNES.
Substituted Trustee
11/21, 11/28, 12/05; 12/12/02

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TRUSTEE NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 5th day of October, 2000, Clifford W. Champagne, executed a Deed of Trust to Charlene Roberts, Trustee for the benefit of Stuart Company, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 606, Page 132-135, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, I will on the 6th day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours between 11 00 a.m. o'clock and 4:00 p m o'clock at the Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis Mississippi. for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County. Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
Lot 163, Deer Park Subdivision, Phase III, a subdivision according to the official plat of said subdivison on file in Plat Book 8, Pages 37-41, in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
I will convey only such title as vested in me as Trustee
WITNESS my signature, upon this, the 4th day of November, 2002, A.D
CHARLENE ROBERTS
Trustee
11/14, 11/21; 11/28 12/05/02

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on March 14, 2001, Alan J. Cole, a married man and Julie Ann Cole, executed a deed of trust to Jim B Tohill, trustee for the benefit of Long Beach Mortgage Company, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 623 at Page 656 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and
WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association f/k/a Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-2 by instrument dated August 22, 2002, and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 710 at Page 126, and
WHEREAS, the aforesaid, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association f/k/a Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-2, the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John C Underwood, Jr., as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated August 27, 2002 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 713 at Page 207, and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association f/k/a Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-2, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C Underwood, Jr., Substituted Trustee, in said deed of trust, will on the 10th day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11.00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit
All that certain parcel of land situated in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4, Section 13, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows:
COMMENCING at the northwest corner of said NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4, thence South 01 degree 09 minutes 51 seconds East 487.38 feet; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 55 seconds West 338 98 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds East 448.51 feet to the westerly right-of-way of Standard-Dedeaux Road; thence along said right-of-way, South 14 degrees 33 minutes 37 seconds East 101.05 feet; thence South 89 degrees 21 minutes 08 seconds West 475.09 feet; thence North 00 degrees 37 minutes 55 seconds East 104 50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 1.07 acre(s), more or less. Being part of that property described in Book BB207 Page 53.
Legal furnished by Sidney F. Fournet, Jr., PLS No. 2571, per survey dated December 21 2000.
Together with one (1) 2001 Horton Mirage III mobile home, Model# 40217, Serial# H174494GL&R.
I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 8th day of November, 2002.
John C. Underwood, Jr.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Control #02010030
11/14; 11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TRUSTEE NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 14th day of March, 2000, Clyde M. Fricke, Jr. and wife, Donnie R. Frickle, executed a Deed of Trust to Charlene Roberts, Trustee for the benefit of Stuart Company, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 588, Pages 453-456, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, I will on the 20th day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between 11:00 a.m. o'clock and 4:00 p.m. o'clock, at the Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS my signature, upon this, the 20th day of November, 2002. A D
CHARLENE ROBERTS
Trustee
11/28, 12/05; 12/12; 12/19/02

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on April 9, 2001, Katherine J. Haas executed a Deed of Trust favoring the undersigned, as Trustee for the benefit of James K Wetzel and Garnette Ann Wetzel, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust has been heretofore filed among the land records in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 627, at Page 570 thereof, full and complete reference thereto being hereby made for all purposes, and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions regarding payments of indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and the legal holders of said Deed of Trust and the indebtedness evidenced therein having requested the undersigned to execute the trust and sell said land and property pursuant to the terms of said Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expenses of sale.
NOW THEREFORE, I, Thad Henley, Trustee in the Deed of Trust aforesaid will, on December 23, 2002, during legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.), at public outcry offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property situated within Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Commencing at a stake 688 feet South of and 20 feet West of the NW corner of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 7 South, Range 14 West; thence North 33 degrees West 242.5 feet to a stake set for the Place of Beginning of the land referenced herein; thence North 56 degrees East 180 feet to a stake; thence South 33 degrees East 120 5 feet to a stake; thence South 56 degrees West 180 feet, more or less, to a stake set on the West leg of the property described herein, thence North 33 degrees West 121.25 feet, more or less, to the Place of Beginning, being part of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 7 South, Range 14 West, and part of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 25, Township 7 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.
I will sell and convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 22th day of November, 2002
Thad Henley, Trustee
P O Box 1118 , Gulfport, MS 39502
Ph 228/575-9099
MSB 2325
Posted: November 22, 2002
11/28; 12/05; 12/12; 12/19/02

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE
WHEREAS, on November 20, 1995, FANNIE S. HOLCOMB executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to James R McIlwain, Trustee for HANCOCK BANK, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 442 at Page 682 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi and
WHEREAS, the subject Deed of Trust was modified by Modification of Deed of Trust dated March 22, 1999, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 548 at Page 154 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office,
WHEREAS, the subject Deed of Trust was modified by Modification of Deed of Trust dated September 16, 1999, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 568 at Page 224 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office;
WHEREAS, HANCOCK BANK appointed Gerald M. Warren as Substitute Trustee by instrument dated November 11, 2002, filed November 13, 2002, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 724 at Page 557 of the aforesaid records; and
WHEREAS, Lot 28, Block 12, Unit 4A, Diamondhead, Phase 2, was conveyed to LAWRENCE R. BLADES and BARBARA BLADES by Warranty Deed dated November 4, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book BB114 at Page 710 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and
WHEREAS, Lot 82, Block 13, Unit 4A, Diamondhead, Phase 2, was conveyed to VERA SPENCER DUNN by warranty Deed dated January 28, 2000 and recorded in Deed Book BB204 at Page 178 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and
WHEREAS, Lot 13, Block 11, Unit 4, Diamondhead, Phase 1, was conveyed to P. DAVID HOLCOMB by Quitclaim Deed dated April 1, 2002, and recorded in Deed Book BB243 at Page 74 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and
WHEREAS, Lot 20, Block 4, Unit 7, Diamondhead, Phase 2, was conveyed to P. DAVID HOLCOMB by Quitclaim Deed dated April 1, 2002, and recorded in Deed Book BB243 at page 80 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, which default has continued for a period of time necessary for the holder to declare the entire unpaid balance immediately due and payable, and HANCOCK BANK, the holder of the Deed of Trust as aforesaid, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee so to do, I will on the 19th day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, being between the hours of 11.00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m., at the North front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property lying and being situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
PARCEL
Lot 28, Block 12, Unit 4A, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, according to map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, at pages 30-32, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
PARCEL 2
Lot 82, Block 13, Unit 4A DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4 at pages 21-22 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
PARCEL 3.
Lot 20, Block 4, Unit 7, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4 at pages 48-50 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
PARCEL 4:
Lot 4, Block 5, Unit 4-A DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4 at pages 30-32 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi
PARCEL 5:
Lot 13, Block 11, Unit 4 DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 1, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4 at pages 7-11 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS my signature this 26th day of November, 2002.
GERALD M. WARREN,
Substitute Trustee

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11/28; 12/05. 12/12/02

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on April 23, 2001, W. Roderick Johnson, Jr. executed and delivered for value a Deed of Trust to Harry R. Allen, Trustee for the benefit of Hancock Bank, a corporation, which Deed of Trust appears of record and is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 630 at Pages 490-508 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and;
WHEREAS, the aforesaid Hancock Bank, the present owner and holder of the above-described Deed of Trust, has heretofore substituted William P. Wessler as Trustee in place and in lieu of Harry R. Allen by instrument dated October 21, 2002 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Deed of Trust Book 720 at Pages 545-547; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust,
and the entire debt secured thereby having been

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declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, Hancock Bank, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Trustee's fees and expenses of sale;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, William P. Wessler, Substituted Trustee in said Deed of Trust will on the 2nd day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the real property being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this the 31 day of Oct., 2002
WILLIAM P. WESSLER,
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
MONTGOMERY, BARNETT, BROWN, READ, HAMMOND & MINTZ, L.L.P.
2304 19TH STREET, SUITE 203
GULFPORT, MS 39501
(228) 863-6534
EXHIBIT A
Lot E, being a part of Lots 12 and 13, Phase 2, Unit 7-A, Block 7, Diamondhead, a subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi., more particularly described as follows:
As a Point of Beginning, use the iron pin located on the west end of the common line between Lots 13 and 14, Block 7, Unit 7-A, Phase 2, Diamondhead, as recorded in pages 55 through 57 of Plat Book 4 of the Records of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; thence go North 00°58'03" West along the common lot line between Lot 13 and Lots 4 and 5 for a distance of 105.00 feet to an iron pin; thence go South 80°45'17" East for a distance of 187.96 feet to an iron pin on the west right of way of Kailua Place; thence go South 01°06'26" East along the west right of way of Kailua Place for a distance of 52.38 feet to an iron pin; thence go southwesterly for a distance of 36.59 feet along a curve to the right with a radius of 25.00 feet to an iron pin on the west right of way of Kailua Street; thence go southwesterly along a curve to the left with a radius of 50.00 feet for a distance of 53.63 feet to an iron pin on the west right of way line of Kailua Place; thence go North 77°11'34" West for a distance of 126.10 feet to the Point of Beginning.
PARCEL 2:
Lot 82, Block 11, Unit 1, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in Plat Book 4, pages 43-45, inclusive, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on March 20, 1998, William C. McQueen and wife, Dana W. McQueen, executed a certain deed of trust to Doug Montague, Trustee for the benefit of NationsCredit Financial Services Corp., which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 508 at Page 468; and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to First Union National Bank as Trustee of the Security National Mortgage Loan Trust 2000-2 by instrument dated October 17, 2002 and recorded in Book 720 at Page 376 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and
WHEREAS, First Union National Bank as Trustee of the Security National Mortgage Loan Trust 2000-2 By: SN Servicing Corporation f/k/a Security National Servicing Corporation, its Attorney-in-fact has heretofore substituted J. Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument dated October 23, 2002 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 723 at Page 132; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, First Union National Bank as Trustee of the Security National Mortgage Loan Trust 2000-2 By: SN Servicing Corporation f/k/a Security National Servicing Corporation, its Attorney-in-fact, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Gary Massey, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on December 13, 2002 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.); at the Main door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, located at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
Commencing at the Northwest corner of the South 30 acres of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, said point being an iron pipe; thence East 1051.73 feet; thence South 742.12 feet to an iron pipe for the point of beginning; thence South 85 degrees 21 minutes 17 seconds East 293.11 feet to an iron pipe on the West margin of Rester Road; thence South 00 Degrees 38 minutes 42 seconds West along said margin 180.26 feet to an iron pipe; thence leaving said margin North 89 degrees 26 minutes 53 seconds West 299.04 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 02 degrees 32 minutes 09 seconds East 201.31 feet to the point of beginning. This parcel containing 1.296 acres, and being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.
ALSO: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the South 30 acres of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, said point being an iron pipe; thence East 901.27 feet; thence South 694.77 feet for the point of beginning; thence South 85 degrees 21 minutes 17 seconds East 444.52 feet to a point on the West margin of Rester Road; thence South 00 degrees 38 minutes 42 seconds West along said margin 35.00 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 85 degrees 21 minutes 17 seconds West 293.11 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 02 degrees 32 minutes 09 seconds West 201.29 feet; thence North 89 degrees 27 minutes 33 seconds West 117.94 feet; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes 08 seconds West 81.47 feet to a point in a fence; thence North 13 degrees 11 minutes 42 seconds East along said fence 253.17 feet to the point of beginning. This parcel containing 1.213 acres, and being a part of the South 30 acres of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.
ALSO: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 6 South Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, said point being a 3/4" pipe; thence North 105.00 feet to a 3/4" iron pipe for the point of beginning; thence North 579.50 feet; thence South 84 degrees 15 minutes 37 seconds East 934.00 feet; thence South 13 degrees 35 minutes 44 seconds West 254.25 feet to a 2" iron pipe; thence South 13 degrees 11 minutes 42 seconds West 253.17 feet to a 2" iron pipe; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes 08 seconds West 811.79 feet to the point of beginning. This parcel containing 10.786 acres, and being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.
INDEX: SW4/NW4, Sec 17, T-6-S, R-15-W.
SUBJECT to any and all prior reservations or conveyances of oil, gas and other minerals, as shown of record.
I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on November 18, 2002.

J. Gary Massey
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE

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TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on August 6, 2001, P. Denise Nichols, executed a Deed of Trust to Lem Adams, III, Trustee for the use and benefit of WMC Mortgage Corp., which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 647 at Page 216 thereof; and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee under the applicable agreement, by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 694 at Page 735 thereof; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 13th day of December, 2002, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
Parcel 1
All that certain parcel of land situated in the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4, Section 24, Township 8 South, Range 15 West, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the Northeast corner of said NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4; thence along the northerly line of said forty, North 89 degrees 26 minutes 31 seconds West (Astronomic) 200.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 00 degrees 33 minutes 29 seconds West 236.64 feet to the northerly right-of-way of Bayou LaCroix Road (50 feet wide); thence along said right-of-way, North 85 degrees 10 minutes 15 seconds West 164.07 feet thence continuing along said right-of-way, North 81 degrees 13 minutes 33 seconds West 50.17 feet thence North 07 degrees 51 minutes 01 second East 219.03 feet to the northerly line of said forty; thence along said line, South 89 degrees 26 minutes 31 seconds East 185.47 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, Containing 1.05 acres, more or less.
Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.
WITNESS my signature, on this the 12th day of November, 2002.

LEM ADAMS, III
TRUSTEE

PREPARED BY: ADAMS & EDENS
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11/21; 11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on October 24, 2001, Terry M. Oliver and Angela R. Oliver, executed a deed of trust to Amy Mandart, trustee for the benefit of MERS, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 661 at Page 360 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; and
WHEREAS, the aforesaid, MERS, the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John C. Underwood, Jr., as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated September 16, 2002 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 718 at Page 188; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, MERS, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C. Underwood, Jr., Substituted Trustee, in said deed of trust, will on the 10th day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
Commencing at the SE corner of Lot 318, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 70 degrees 00 minutes West 89.0 feet along the South line of said Lot 318 to the Point Of Beginning; thence continuing North 70 degrees 00 minutes West 135.0 feet along said lot line; thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 140.0 feet; thence South 70 degrees 00 minutes East 135.0 feet; thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 140.00 feet to the Point Of Beginning. Being part of Lots 341, 342 and 355, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.
Together with a non-exclusive right of way easement for road and utility purposes on, over and across the following described real property, to-wit:
Beginning at the NE corner of Lot 318, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 71.0 feet; thence South 81 degrees 56 minutes West 34.0 feet; thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 45.0 feet; thence North 70 degrees 00 minutes West 59.0 feet; thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 20.0 feet; thence South 70 degrees 00 minutes East 39.0 feet; thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 27.0 feet; thence North 81 degrees 56 minutes East 34.0 feet; thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 59.0 feet to the South right of way line of Washington Street; thence South 70 degrees 00 minutes East 20.0 feet to the Point Of Beginning. Being a part of Lot 318 and 341, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.
I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 1st day of November, 2002.

John C. Underwood, Jr.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Control #02070968
11/14; 11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on May 9, 1996, Richard J. Rabalais and Rosemarie K. Rabalais executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Lucien M. Gex, Jr., Trustee for the benefit of Roy A. Torres, Jr. and Michelle M. Torres, or Survivor, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 577, Page 162 and
WHEREAS, on March 19, 1999, Roy A. Torres, Jr. and Michelle M. Torres, or Survivor, assigned said Deed of Trust unto The Bank of New York, as Trustee pursuant to the terms of that certain Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 1998 related to Metropolitan Asset Funding, Inc. II, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1998-B, by instrument recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 577 at Page 162; and
WHEREAS, on August 23, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Priority Trustee Services of Mississippi, L.L.C., as Trustee in said Deed of Trust by instrument recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 724, Page 119; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on December 17, 2002, I will, during legal hours (between the hours of 11 o' clock a.m. and 4 o' clock p.m.), at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Beginning at the SE corner of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes West for 195.64 feet to an I.P. at the intersection of the railroad property and the South line of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West; thence North 77 degrees 22 minutes West 480.64 feet along the North R.O.W. of the railroad to an I.P.; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes West 199.10 feet to an I.P.; thence South 81 degrees 08 minutes East 671.76 feet to an I.P. on the 1/2 Section Line of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West; thence South 00 degrees 26 minutes East 199.84 feet along the said 1/2 Section Line to the P.O.B., being 3.27 acres in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi
Title to the above-described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 18th day of November, 2002
/s/
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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 12th day of March, 2001, Ann Marie B. Sipple, unmarried, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Mike Newton, Trustee for NationsCredit Financial Services Corporation, d/b/a, EquiCredit, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 624 at Page 234; and
WHEREAS, on the 11th day of July, 2002, NationsCredit Financial Services Corporation, d/b/a, EquiCredit, assigned said Deed of Trust unto The Bank of New York, acting solely in its capacity as Trustee for EQCC Trust 2001-1F, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 703 at Page 608 and re-recorded in Book 722 at Page 612; and
WHEREAS on the 25th day of October, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 722 at Page 616; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 13th day of December, 2002, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Lot One (1), WOODHAVEN SUBDIVISION, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 15 at Pages 17-18 thereof, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.
I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 11th day of November, 2002.
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
2309 OLIVER RD
MONROE, LA 71201
318-330-9020
F02-3405
11/21; 11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 27th day of March, 2001, Harriett E. Gilmore and Robert T. Gilmore II, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Advantage Title Company, Trustee for Decision One Mortgage Company, LLC, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 626 at Page 616; and
WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to The Bank of New York, Trust U/A dated 12/1/01 (EQCC Trust 2001-1F), by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 707 at Page 698; and
WHEREAS on the 29th day of July, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 722 at Page 618; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 20th day of December, 2002, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Lot (1), Block Nine (9), THE OAKS, Phase Two (2), a subdivision located in Diamondhead, Hancock County Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk thereof Plat Book 5 at Page 25
I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 21st day of November, 2002.
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
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Prevent Holiday Theft: Make a List, Check It Twice

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Winter holidays may only happen once a year, but crime, unfortunately, never takes a vacation. Home burglaries are traditionally on the top of a criminal's "to do" list, occurring over 2 million times a year. So, before going to sleep with visions of sugarplums dancing in your head, think about safeguarding your home against theft.

According to the FBI, over one million residential burglaries occur each year, costing consumers more than $3 billion annually. Furthermore, the bureau reports that nine out of 10 could have been prevented if homeowners had taken a few precautions to protect their homes — proof positive that a few simple steps are all it takes to ensure that the only person creeping down your chimney is a jolly old man in red with a twinkle in his eye!

"This time of year, everyone seems to be busy making lists for holiday cards and presents to buy for loved ones," says Bill Mullaney, senior vice president of claims and customer service for MetLife Auto & Home. "Creating another type of list — a Home Safety checklist — can help you evaluate the security of your home and possibly even prevent your property from being a target. Research shows that if it takes more than four or five minutes to break into a house, a burglar will go elsewhere."

Here are some important tips to check off on the list.

• Make Would-be Thieves Very Visible. Since most burglaries occur during daytime hours, when many property owners are at work, it is important to make it difficult for burglars to approach the house without being seen. Enclose your property with picket or chain link fences, rather than a solid fence, and keep hedges clipped down around waist level to ensure maximum visibility.

• Don't hide keys in secret places outside your home. Burglars know where to look. Instead, leave a duplicate key with a neighbor, at your office or with a relative.

• Invest in a burglar alarm. The most effective ones notify an outside service, but any kind is a good deterrent.

• Lock everything. Install good quality deadbolt locks on all exterior doors and any doors from attached garages. When you leave your house or retire for the evening, make sure you lock all your doors.

• Move your computers and stereo systems out of view from windows and doors. Expensive equipment in full view makes your property an open invitation for criminals.

If you're traveling, make certain your house looks lived in. Have your driveway shoveled while you are away, or your lawn mowed if you lived in warmer climates. An unplowed driveway or a shaggy lawn is a sure sign that nobody's home. Also, stop delivery with your newspaper service and have a neighbor collect your mail.

MetLife Auto & Home offers the public another type of list: a free Personal Property Inventory brochure to help keep careful track of your valuables. A property inventory is invaluable in the event that your home is burglarized, since trying to remember the property you own after the fact can be a difficult task. The inventory is available to anyone by calling (800) 638-5433 (MET-LIFE).

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The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "How to Start A Small Business" on Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2002, 5:45 until 8:15 p.m. at The USM Gulf Coast Campus in Long Beach. This workshop is for anyone interested in starting a small business and will cover general small business start-up information, such as licensing, taxes, zoning, market research, business planning, and financing.

The will be Jill Scafide, business analyst at The USM Small Business Development Center.

The fee is $18 in advance. To prepay, mail check made payable to USM SBDC to The USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560. Contact the center at 228-865-4578.

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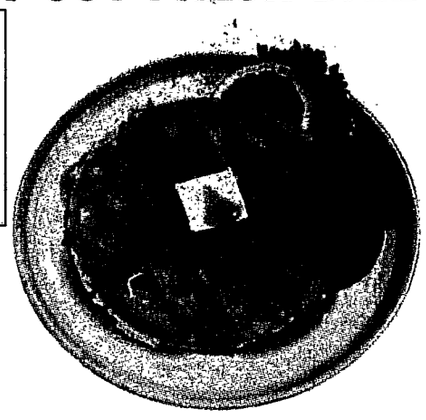
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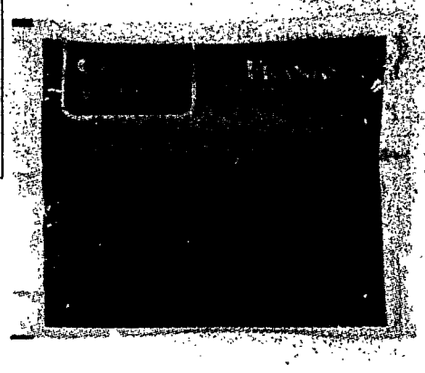
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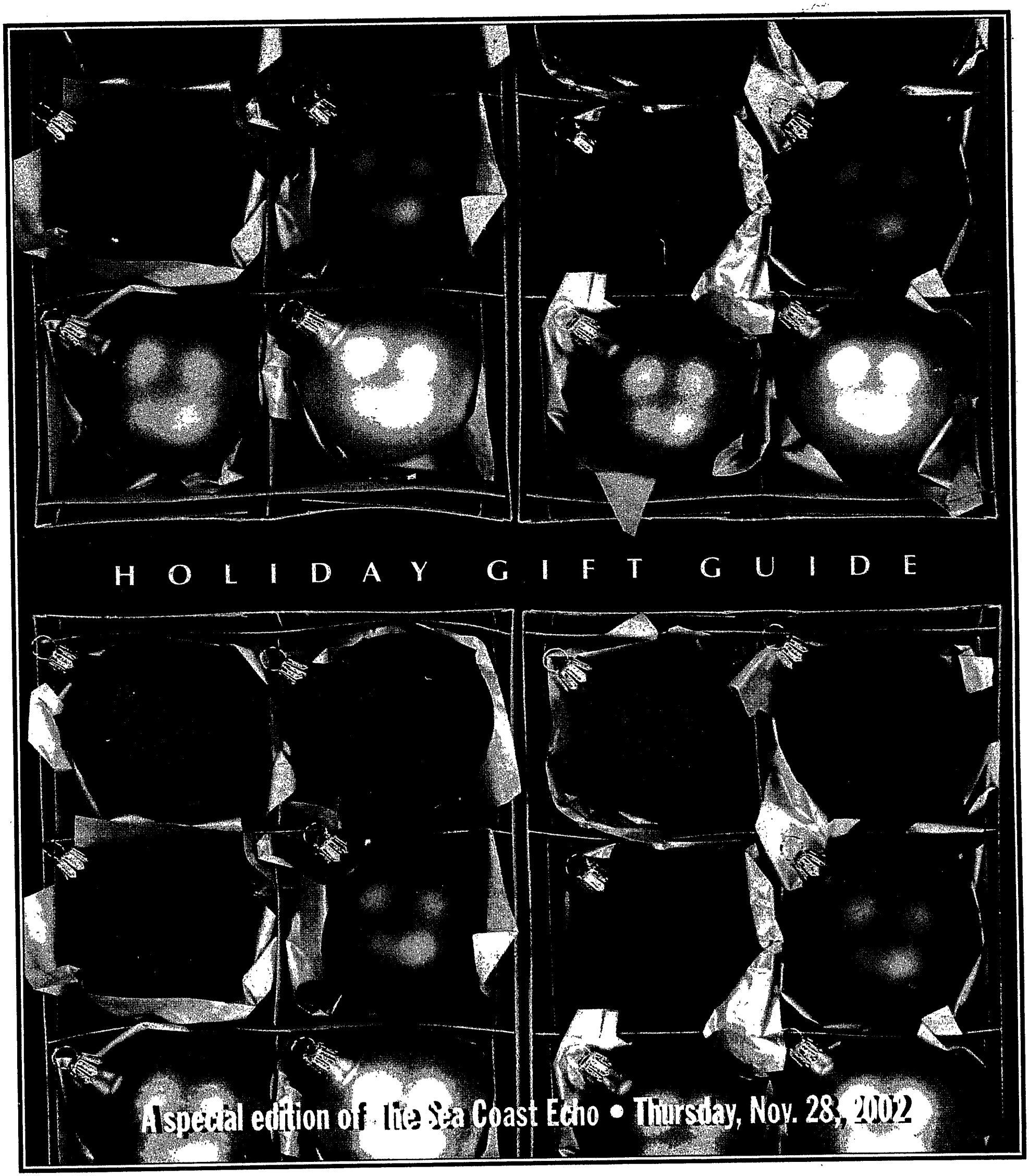


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Jeffrey Krotser, the six-year-old grandson of That Cute Little Shop-owner Kathy Pinn, checks out the Christmas display at his grandmother's store. Jeffrey is from Crystal Lake, Ill.

Share the Joy of Gift Giving With Children

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The holidays are an opportunity to gather with family, friends and loved ones and share special moments while creating memories that last a lifetime. They represent a time to reflect upon the past, take joy in the present and renew hope for the future. To some, the holidays mean gathering around the table for a festive feast, while to children, the holidays mean, well, what else — gifts!

This season, share the joy of gift giving with your child by providing the tools to make gifts for others. Loved ones will appreciate that their gifts were made with them in mind, while children can take delight in knowing that they've accomplished a project of their own creation. Most importantly, the steps and time involved in making a gift for a loved one teaches a child that the best gifts of all — whether given or received — are those that come from the heart.

Following are some creative gift ideas to share with your child — they're sure to make any recipient proud.

• Coupon book — A child's homemade, self-illustrated book of coupons to be redeemed as household chores may be the perfect gift for mom or dad. For example, a child can design a coupon that's good towards one day of taking out the trash and another that's good towards cleaning up the living room.

• Homemade picture frame — There's nothing more touching than receiving a photograph from a child or grandchild. Help a young one make the experience unique by providing the materials to make a homemade picture frame. Marbles, popsicle sticks and beads all are items that easily can be glued in decorative patterns onto a picture frame to create a personalized, one-of-a-kind gift.

• Drawings — Help a child create a masterpiece for grandma or grandpa by providing unique items which the child can use to create a collage. Scraps of fabric, yarn, buttons, cotton balls or any other household items can turn an ordinary crayon drawing into a three-dimensional work of art.

• Homemade cookies — Take a day to bake with your child. A young one can take pride in having baked his or her own gift batch of cookies, not to mention practicing measures and the importance of following directions.

• Storybook — Have a child write and illustrate his or her own story. For a truly memorable gift, once the child has added the final artistic touches to the story, take the book to the local copy center where the pages can be bound inexpensively into a booklet, or even duplicated to share with other family members.

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Beautiful Tips to Combat Holiday Stress

BY CAROL JURGENS
Former Ford model

This is the season to be jolly ...

Jolly, you say? With plenty of gift shopping, decorating and entertaining ahead, looking your holiday best may be first-up on your "wish list." As a former Ford model, let me share with you some of the beauty tips and tricks my friends and I rely on during this busy season. Call them "trade secrets" — the easy short cuts models use to work wonders for an instant makeover or a brand new holiday look, day or night.

• Glamorize your eyes — The look this season brings out the glamour girl in you with eye shadow layering. Layer two shadows using a light beige on the lid, contouring a smoky shade in the crease. Add luminescent highlighter below the eyebrow and on top of the cheekbone. Apply liquid or pencil eyeliner at the base of the eyelashes to define your eyes and make lashes appear thicker.

• Keep up appearances — Professional models never apply makeup without making a few quick fixes first. For example, if your eyes look tired and puffy with fine wrinkles, try Sudden Change® Instant Under-Eye Lift. Available in most drug and discount stores, it's the best I've found to give my eyes an instant lift. I use it alone — you can actually feel it tightening — or mix in a drop with liquid foundation. Under-eye puffiness and wrinkles disappear instantly.

• Never say dry — The best time to apply moisturizer is immediately after washing your face or showering. When skin is slightly damp, moisturizer will absorb better. I recommend using two types of moisturizers, a lighter one in the morning and a heavier night cream before going to sleep. And, don't let winter fool you — use day moisturizers with sunscreen all year long.

• Get even — Help turn the clock back with an even application of the right foundation. The trick is to look like you are not wearing anything. The best way to select a foundation is to apply it along the jawline and check with mirror in daylight. It should blend with your facial skin and neck tone. Apply lightly with a sponge from the center of the face, blending outward. If you have dry skin, stay away from powders — they tend to magnify fine wrinkles and lines.

• Play with color — Pick a color you wouldn't ordinarily wear, like red, to show off your matching lips and nails. And load on the gloss for a soft-focus effect and the illusion of younger, fuller lips. For evening, try a hint of glittering gloss over lip color.

• Get glowing — At night, add one of this season's powders enhanced with a bit of sparkle and shimmer over highlighted areas, above the eyebrows and on the center of the forehead for radiant effects. It's the perfect touch to help you twinkle the night away.

Don't Freak Out This Christmas Season

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The holidays can be a stressful time. Between writing out greeting cards, planning parties, shopping for gifts, preparing the holiday feast and fixing up the house for guests, there are a lot of holiday preparations that can leave a person feeling run-down.

Along with the stress of tackling these holiday chores are the financial pressures, long distances, health concerns and conflicts with in-laws that can keep some families and loved ones apart. This can lead to additional stress, as well as negative feelings like anger, frustration, sadness, fatigue, loneliness or even resentment.

While it is not uncommon to feel stressed or a little blue during the busy holiday season, following are a few tips to help make the holidays a little brighter.

• Plan ahead as much as possible.

• Keep reasonable expectations.

• Accept that there only is so much you can do, given time constraints and financial considerations.



Don't tear your hair out this holiday season – follow these helpful planning tips, instead.

• Try to maintain a positive outlook.

• Get involved by helping others who are in need.

• Don't get caught up trying to please everyone.

• Be more forgiving and tolerant — many people may be feeling the same way you feel.

• Even with the best planning, be prepared for setbacks.

• Make time for yourself to have fun.

• Remember what really counts — a little compassion, love and understanding can be the best cure for handling holiday stress.

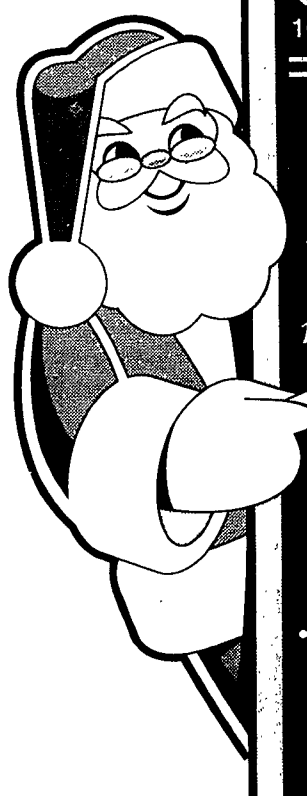
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Santa has a ball aboard Windstar Cruises fleet of sailing yachts.

Holiday Celebrations Take to the High Seas

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Who says you have to spend the holidays at home? This year, skip the long lines at the department stores — perhaps the best gift you can give to that special someone, or even to yourself, is a luxury cruise to any number of exotic locales.

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Important Tips For Yuletide Airline Travel

THE SEA COAST ECHO

If you're holiday plans involve travel by airplane, you're not alone. This time of the year is the busiest for the airline industry, with millions traveling hundreds of miles to visit friends and family during the December holidays. And while many feel the nation's airports have become safer than ever, the heightened security can cause quite a headache for unprepared travelers.

If you're planning on taking small electronics and accessories along for the ride, like laptop computers, cameras and film, you may want to take a few precautions to protect valuable equipment.

Tougher security regulations at the country's airports has airlines cracking down on the number of carry-on bags each passenger is allowed. What won't be allowed on your person will have to be checked and stored in the baggage area. As a result, your expensive camera and laptop could come through with some bruising.

X-ray technology won't damage laptops and cameras, but other conditions present during flights just might. Besides jostling around during baggage loading, general vibrations and turbulence during a flight can be enough to damage some components. On board, dry air in the cabin may potentially cause problems with static electricity. Touching the keyboard may leave you — and your computer — with a nasty shock, which may very well pale in comparison with the shock of realizing that your laptop has just been "fried" and your work lost.

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Tests by many photography labs and associations have found that airport X-ray machines that scan checked luggage cause streaks and fogging on film of all speeds. The higher the film speed, the greater the damage. So, your holiday highlights just may turn into a blurred mess. What to do? If there's room, carry unprocessed film with you into the cabin. This way it won't be exposed to those high radiation levels.

It may also be a good idea to leave expensive electronics at home if they are not necessary for the trip. This way you'll be ensured peace of mind.



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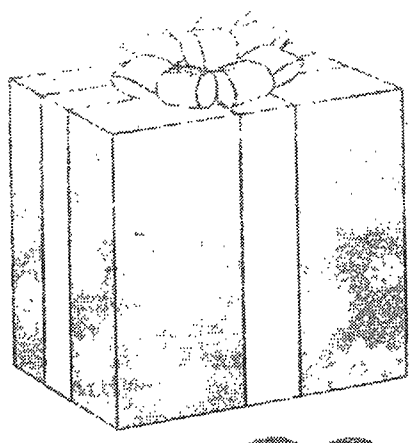
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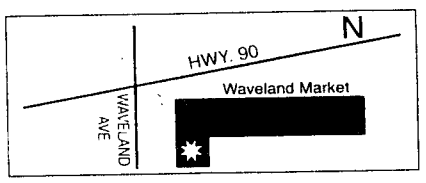
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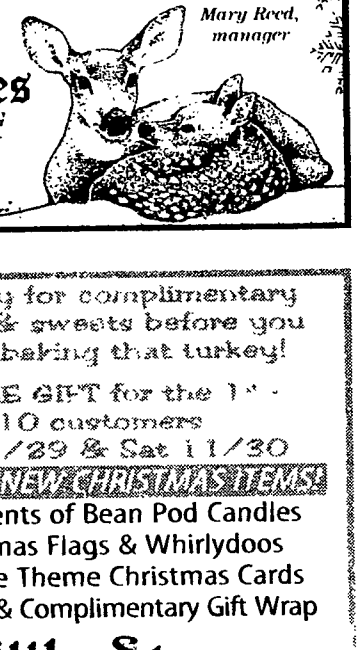
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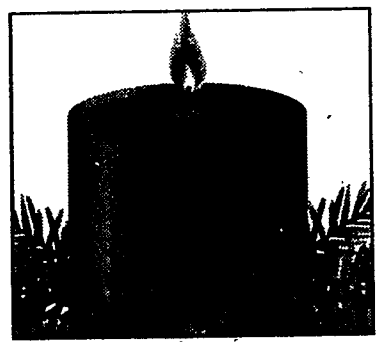
You've decorated your house for the holidays, but did you keep safety in mind? According to the National Fire Protection Association, there were 300 Christmas tree fires in U.S. homes in 1998, and nearly 50,000 home fires from 1994 to 1998 were caused by lit candles. Here are some tips on how to keep it safe this season:

LIGHTING

• Before hanging decorative lights each year, Be sure to inspect them for frayed wires, loose connections, cracks, or wear and tear. Be sure to unplug lights before replacing bulbs or fuses. Do not overload outlets or mount lights in a way that can damage the cord (for example: using nails to hold wires in place).

• Don't use indoor lights for outdoor decorating.

• Use caution with candles. Set them in stable holders where they are less likely to be accidentally knocked



over, and never leave the house while candles are burning. Keep them away from decorations, wrapping paper, trees and of course, young children and pets.

• Turn off all lighted decorations when you go to bed or leave the house. Overnight, they could short and start a fire.

DECORATIONS

• Use only fireproof decorations — never use ones made of cloth or paper.

• Never run an electric train under a tree. Sparks from the track might start a fire.

• Never put wrapping paper in a fireplace. Holiday paper is often a little glossy or polished. Burning it may create sparks and release toxic gases in your home which can potentially build up and can cause an explosion.

TREES

• If you have a metallic or artificial tree, be sure that it is flame retardant, should any sparks fly. Avoid setting up your holiday tree near a heat source like a fireplace or heating vent. The warm air will dry out the tree, making it more prone to catch fire.

• Trees should be well-anchored and watered so they don't become a fire hazard.

ENTERTAINING

• Provide large ashtrays for guests who smoke, and be sure to check for stray cigarette butts in upholstered furniture. According to the Insurance Information Institute, cigarettes are the leading cause of fire fatalities in the home.

Don't Let a Breakdown Ruin Holiday Travel, Time With Family

Be sure to have your vehicle checked out before you head off on holiday travels this winter, advise the experts at the non-profit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE). Following is an easy checklist to help keep you on the road this season. Some of the tips here are easy, others may require a professional technician.

• Homework. Read the owner's manual and follow the recommended service schedules. Remember, even today's rugged SUVs and trucks need routine care.

• Safety first. Replace worn wiper blades, and inspect all lights and bulbs. Make sure you carry emergency gear — a shovel, sand or cat litter for traction, a blanket, boots, snack food and a cell phone, for starters.

• Battery. The only accurate way to detect a weak battery is with professional equipment.

• Cooling system. The level, condition, and concentration of anti-freeze should be checked periodically. The cooling system should be flushed and refilled as recommended. (Let the engine cool down before removing the radiator cap.) The tightness and condition of drive belts, clamps and hoses should be checked by a professional technician.

• Engine performance. Rough idling, hard starts, stalling, or diminished power problems need to be corrected before cold weather sets in. Be sure to fully describe any changes in performance to the service manager or a qualified technician. You'll improve your gas mileage, too.

• Tires. Rotate your tires about every 5,000 miles. Check air pressure monthly (be sure to let the tires cool down first). Examine tires for cuts and nicks, uneven wearing and cupping. Check the spare, too.

• Be pro-active. Be sure to tell the shop about any existing problems. .

• Professional technicians. Look for repair facilities with modern equipment, polite staff and ASE-certified automotive technicians. ASE-certified technicians wear blue and white ASE shoulder insignia and carry credentials listing their exact area(s) of certification. Their employers often display the blue and white ASE sign.

Wrap it up!



It may be fun to shop at Christmas-time, but few of us actually enjoy wrapping the presents we bought. Several local merchants, such as That Cute Little Shop, will do the wrapping for you when you purchase gifts at their stores.



Say 'I Love You' With Platinum

THE SEA COAST ECHO

There's no doubt that there's a special lady in your life — from a beloved spouse to mom, grandma, a special daughter or friend — who deserves nothing but the best when it comes to the holidays. That's why the purest, most rare and most precious metal — platinum — is on everyone's "most wanted" gift list.

Platinum, diamonds and other jewelry accessories and precious metals have become the icon du jour for women around the globe, including famous moms like Catherine Zeta Jones, Faith Hill, Kelly Preston and Kelly Ripa. Platinum jewelry designers have interpreted this symbol of love and appreciation in a myriad of designs that are sure to capture mom's heart, from stunning diamond-encrusted platinum hearts to the modern elegance of a platinum pendant strung on a black rubber cord.

Another way to charm that special woman in your life is with a platinum pendant shaped as a star, horseshoe or religious symbol.

Other up-to-the-minute platinum jewelry offerings this year include pins, cuffs, pendants, rings, necklaces and earrings decorated with nature-themed motifs such as flowers, leaves, branches, birds, butterflies and dragonflies. The gauzy look of platinum mesh is also making its mark this year in platinum mesh cuffs sprinkled with bezel-set diamonds, and lariats and dangling mesh earrings made of black platinum. The vintage trend continues to be strong, lead by hand-engraved Edwardian- and Deco-inspired platinum pieces.

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Add A Personal Touch to Your Holiday Gift-Giving

BY LILLIAN VERNON
Founder of the Lillian Vernon catalogs

Personalization is increasing in popularity because consumers have grown tired of designer logos and names on every conceivable product.

In a small but visible way, something as simple and elegant as a gift with a person's name or initials sets them apart from everyone else and makes a statement about their individuality.

In 1951, when I placed my first mail order ad for a personalized handbag and belt, I never dreamed that a business started on my kitchen table would start a trend that is still popular today. I wanted my customers to feel special, so I began offering free personalization, which became my company trademark.

Giving a personalized gift is one way to show that you care enough to give something that's theirs alone. The holidays are a perfect time to give a thoughtful gift that will make a lasting impression. There are personalized gifts to suit every personality, lifestyle and interest.

Gifts for your significant other express how you value them. Personalized jewelry is perfect for that special woman in your life, something she will cherish forever. For a man, give a gift that he can use for his favorite hobby or sport. Matching cotton terry robes are great for lounging.

Personalization is always popular with children. Give your child a personalized sleeping bag for sleepovers. For athletes, a sports bag with their initials is perfect to avoid bag mix-ups after sports practice. A CD carrying case makes a great gift to take on trips or to a friend's house after school. Kids will never lose their pencils at school if they're personalized For the whole family, a personalized luggage set will make it easy to find everyone's suitcases during family trips



WHAT NAME COULD BE BETTER than your own? Personalized gifts, like these his-and-hers terry robes are available from many fine retailers.

Grandparents, especially those who have retired and moved away, always enjoy photographs of their grandchildren. A photo box engraved with the children's names or initials is a great gift to display their favorite pictures. Grandma will love a quilted throw embroidered with the names of all her grandchildren.

Heirlooms of a baby's first Christmas will be cherished for a lifetime. An engraved pacifier, first comb and brush, first tooth box or baby's first Christmas ornament are all perfect.

Family pets should always be included in holiday gift giving. Give your favorite four-legged friend their own stocking to hang with the rest of the family's on the mantel. A personalized water and food bowl or a bed are also good choices.

When thinking of hostess gifts, buy a set of hand-cut wine or champagne glasses in a keepsake wood box etched with the couple's name or a saying.

The holidays are also an appropriate time to give a gift to your bosses and coworkers. A personalized travel mug is perfect for those who commute long distances to work. A customized computer mouse, eyeglass holder or unique desk clock also make good gifts. Thank your children's teachers for their hard work with a token of your appreciation. Personalize a teacher's tote bag, a clipboard or an engraved wood "in" box. Other ideas include giving a note pad holder engraved with the teacher's name and a monogrammed desk bell or coach's whistle.

Personalization takes extra time, so place your orders as early as possible. Personalized gifts can be found in specialty stores and on the Web. Before you order, check the return policy. Lillian Vernon allows you to return personalized products for a full refund with no time restrictions and no questions asked. The earlier you shop the better, so buy a gift when you see something you like and avoid waiting until the last minute. This will help budget your money and you won't have to deal with crowds and possible out-of-stocks.

Make a Joyful Noise With Holiday Musical Traditions

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Around the same time each year, a certain mood begins to prevail. The smell of holly fills the air, smiling faces appear more frequently, and the sound of jingling bells can be heard far and near. These telltale signs can only mean one thing — the holidays are here.

A plethora of special traditions come hand-in-hand with this time of year. Perhaps the most well known is the singing of Christmas carols. The sound of these familiar festive melodies is more than enough to fill your mind and heart with the magic of the season — from dashing through the snow, to decking the halls with boughs of holly, and rockin' around the Christmas tree. Ever wonder just how these special songs came to be?

According to music historians, there are different theories on the origin of the Christmas carol. The major one involves St. Francis of Assisi, who is credited with attempting to renew the common person's faith in God 1,200 years after Christ's birth. On Christmas Eve, St. Francis is said to have led a group of monks in song to honor this important event. The style of these songs was joyous and uplifting, similar to the minstrel music, a very popular form of entertainment with the commoners. As a result, the songs sang by the monks became very popular with the public.

Soon after St. Francis initiated the use of joyous song to celebrate Christmas, many German carols were written. Perhaps the most famous of all, "Silent Night," (Stille Nacht) was written by an Austrian pastor. The Christmas carol remains today a very important part of the Christmas tradition in Germany, especially for children. On January 6, German boys dress up and sing Christmas carols to celebrate the end of Christmas and the visit of the three kings to Christ. Angels are another common German theme at Christmas. These celestial messengers announce the arrival of the Christmas season, often aided by the glorious sound of trumpets and horns. Angels are used for a variety of artistic treasures, such as ornaments, wood carvings and porcelain works of art. M.I. Hummel®, a line of hand-crafted German porcelain figurines depicting beautiful scenes from childhood, offers a collection of 11 little angels each playing a different instrument. The assortment is called Angel Orchestra. Angels are often more than a source of beautiful artwork during the holiday season, however. There is a great tradition of collecting angels and using them for decoration to make homes festive. The line is available from Goebel of North America, world-renowned distributor of fine giftware and collectibles.



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Did You Know ... ?

In many countries, including Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the United Kingdom, the day following Christmas is called Boxing Day. The origin of the holiday may date from the Middle Ages when priests opened the church's alms, or charity, boxes on the day after Christmas and distributed the contents to the poor people of their local parish. According to another theory, the holiday began in England, when royalty or other wealthy individuals presented boxed Christmas gifts to their servants on Dec. 26.

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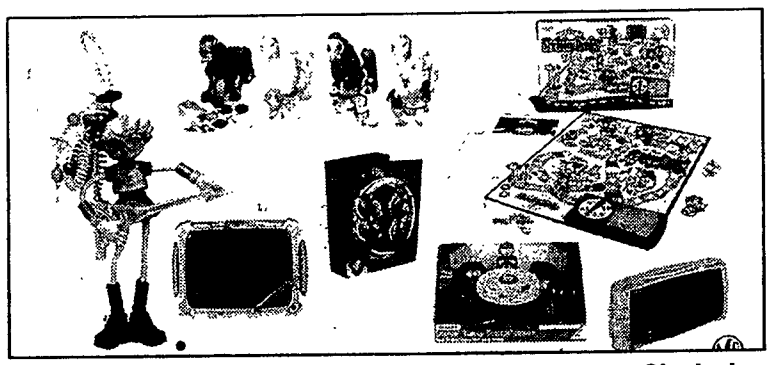
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A Guide to Finding the Right Gift for the Kids on Your List

THE SEA COAST ECHO

It's that time of year again. Parents are scouring the stores in search of the toys, gadgets and games that fill their children's wish lists this holiday season. But how can you be sure that your gift isn't the one left at the bottom of the closet once the storm of gift wrap has settled? Check out this year's top picks for toddlers through tweens. Choosing the right gift for the right age ensures a big "thank-you" from both parents and children alike.



This year's top picks for toddlers through tweens. Clockwise from top left: Sassy Stables from Funrise; The Incredible Shrinky Dinks GameTM; Emerson's new SmartSet clock radio; Shelcore Toys' Shakin' Wacky Sounds Driver; CD Cardz box set inspired by "Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers;" the new SpectraColorTM Image Pad; and Betty Spaghetty doll.

For toddlers, choose a toy that makes their eyes dance with laughter and piques their curious young minds. Shelcore Toys' Shakin' Wacky Sounds Driver is a toy chest staple, engaging beginners with shakin' action, light-up buttons, seven different activities and a whole selection of beeps, bells and whistles that will drive off with children's imaginations. For more information, call (800) 777-0453.

For preschoolers, choose products that stimulate creativity, like Irwin's new SpectraColorTM Image Pad. By simply brushing their fingertips across the Image Pad's surface, their works of art are brought to life in vivid, illuminated colors. For children with big imaginations, Caillou® is the friendly pal who delights kids with his adventures on the hit PBS television program and in a best-selling book series. Irwin's Caillou Sing-Along is a cuddly plush buddy that sings the popular theme song and invites kids to sing along with a fun removable microphone. To learn more, visit www.irwintoy.com, or call (800) 268-1733.

Girls that love to play dress-up have new friends for fashion fun this year. Funrise's Sassy Stables collection brings four of the world's most fashionably hip horses to the doll aisle, each with her own assortment of fabulous accessories, plus the ability to communicate with her owner. They can even ask for and recognize each accessory by name. Visit www.sassystables.com or call (800) 882-3808.

The mix-and-match phenomenon that's taken the world by storm, Betty Spaghetty is the unique "never the same look twice" fashion doll from Ohio Art with spaghetti-like hair, funky outfits and completely interchangeable parts. New to the Betty Spaghetty collection this year are Glo-Crazy Betty with light-up hair, Schoolin' Around, and the winning entry of last year's design contest for fans, Solar Ace in Space. Find out more by calling (800) 800-3141 or www.bettyspaghetty.com.

The perfect stocking stuffer for kids who go nuts for fast-action car stunts and tricks, classic Penny Racers are the wheelie-happy vehicles with ultra-fast pull-back motors that travel up to 250 scale miles per hour. Place a penny in the back of these collectible roadsters and they spin, flip and whirl at super speeds. Check them out at www.pennyracers.com, or call (800) 882-3808 for more information.

Ever wondered what it's like to be a dink? A Shrinky Dink, that is! With Briarpatch's new board game, the magical world of Shrinky Dinks comes to life. In The Incredible Shrinky Dinks GameTM, kids embark on a fun-filled journey to Shrinky Dinks land where players become Shrinky Dinks and collect Dinks tokens. Each game contains shrinkable plastic and a pattern sheet so kids can make their very own game tokens, from dinosaurs to Dinky jewelry. Visit www.briarpatch.com or call (800) 232-7427.

For the movie buff, Serious USA introduces CD Cardz, trading card-sized CD-ROMs full of exclusive content, trivia, games and behind-the-scenes footage from the year's hottest feature films. The newest release, a box set inspired by "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers," takes fans on a magical journey through Middle Earth with 12 of the movie's featured characters, from the heroic Hobbits to the evil Saruman. For more information, click on www.serioususa.com.

Electronics are always a safe bet for teens, but why not give them something a little different this year? Emerson's new SmartSet clock radio ensures that they'll wake up for class on time every morning with a patented technology that makes it the only alarm clock that never needs to be reset. Eliminating the "blinking 12:00" forever, the SmartSet automatically adjusts the date and time during power failures, Daylight Saving Time — even Leap Year! And for teens who like their music to look as good as it sounds, the sleek and compact Prophile portable boombox comes in seven vibrant colors to match any room décor.

A Closer Look at the 2002 Holiday Season's Fastest-Selling Toy Trends

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The holidays may be about gathering with loved ones to enjoy the magic of the season. But they're also about toys — lots of them. Chances are, your children have already compiled a holiday "wish list" featuring the latest and greatest toys and are counting down the days. But how can you be sure which items are the most appropriate for your children? How do you keep track of what's "cool?"

To help you along on your mission for this year's hottest toys, the experts at Mattel have compiled some of their favorites into one list:

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE EXCITEMENT

Many of this season's hottest toys and games are based on popular entertainment properties:

• Harry Potter — Kids can now make their own Polyjuice with the Polyjuice PotionTM Maker. While their "magical" potions may not transform children into someone else, the set lets kids create real drinkable potions with multiple surprises like fizzing and color changes.

For maximum gross-out fun, check out the new Slime Chamber Playset, featuring a giant slime-oozing snake statue that kids can use to drop glow-in-the-dark slime on their favorite characters.

The Whomping Willow Game brings to life all the fun of Harry and Ron's thrilling adventures with the spirited willow tree. Players try and remove baggage from the tree's limbs without getting whomped!

• "Are you ready kids?" — Get set for nautical nonsense with the Eye-Poppin SpongeBob SquarepantsTM talking character. He talks and sings with a jiggle and a flick of a switch. Squeeze him and watch his eyes pop out of his head. The soft, squishy Babblin' SpongeBob SquarepantsTM comes to life with outrageously funny phrases and interactive play. Children will be entertained for hours singing along to the television theme, listening to SpongeBob's wacky phrases and silly voice, flapping lips and contagious laughter.

• Classic hero returns — One of the greatest action heroes returns for an entirely new generation of kids and collectors. Re-create the exciting Masters of the Universe® storylines with He-Man® and his heroic friends who defend the land of EterniaTM from Skeletor® and his evil henchmen. The heroic warriors assortment includes He-Man — the most powerful man in the universe — who comes with his signature power sword and battle-axe. When his torso is twisted, his waist automatically twists back to center, giving him a powerful punch. Other figures include, Man-At-Arms®, Stratos®, BattleCat® and Skeletor®.

The figures can interact in the Castle Grayskull® Playset, utilizing an innovative tag reader system that can read a chip found in all of Mattel's six-inch Masters of the Universe® figures. The castle has separate reader zones that can either recognize figures and provide appropriate sounds or activate features in certain areas.

• Yu-Gi-OhTM — Fans of the animated television series will have loads of fun with two action figure assortments that include Yugi Seto Kaiba and Maximus Pegasus, Deluxe Blue Eyes White Dragon and Exodia for Forbidden One.

CLASSIC ADVENTURE FUN

Some of the best toys are the classics, from games to race cars to the latest in stunt action toys.

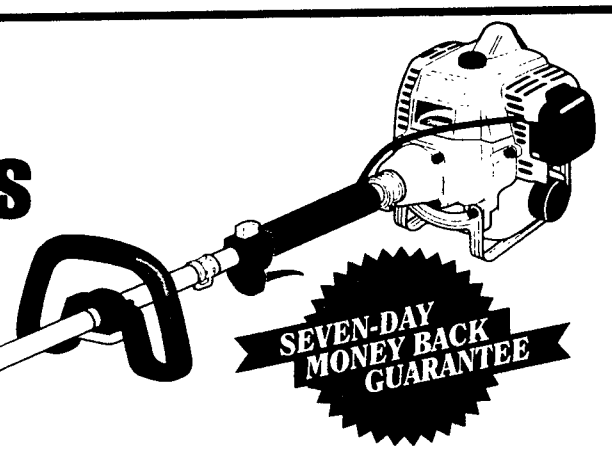
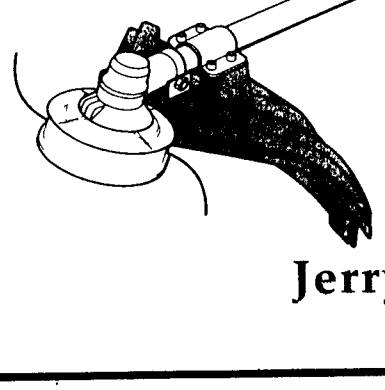
• Feel the need for speed — Planet Hot WheelsTM Energy Cars offers cool 1:64 scale vehicles with a special code that is the key to an out-of-this-world experience. Children can enter the code on planethotwheels.com and unlock a world of customization, collecting and winning cool prizes.

Kids will also have loads of fun racing their cars on the OctoblastTM Track Set, which combines the excitement of high-speed racing with the thrill of competition. Kids power up the high-speed four-way booster and race through the twisted tentacles of the octopus. They control the action as they try to blast the octopus sky high, while trying to avoid being tossed off the track. To celebrate its 50th birthday, Matchbox created a special collection of 50 vehicles, representing each state in the union with fun decorations commemorating a key state feature or fact.

• The sound of music — Add music to your game plan with Disney's new "Wonderful World of Music" individually or work together to answer trivia questions about classic Walt Disney tunes and move across a game board.

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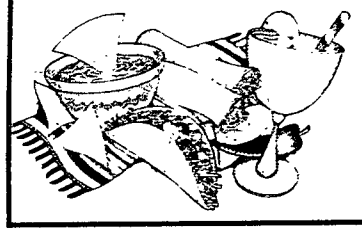
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Ann Kearney of Etc. Etc. straightens a rack containing some of the store's many toys. Etc. Etc. offers an eclectic mix of items for people of all ages.

Choose Toys That Help Your Children Learn Through Play

THE SEA COAST ECHO

By now, the kids on your holiday shopping list probably have lists of their own, put together with help from endless commercials featuring products that walk, talk, light-up and more. While the ads may capture kids' imaginations, chances are the actual toys won't interest them for long.

Why? The answer is simple — these toys don't leave anything to the child's imagination. Simple toys that let children to decide for themselves how to play with them allow for much more creative play. And for young children, playing is learning.

Play is an important part of learning for children who do not yet read or write. It enables them to learn about new concepts by using their senses — touching, feeling, listening, talking and smelling. Play is how children discover and make sense of their world.

Early childhood education experts agree that the years from birth to age eight are a critical learning time for children, and children need plenty of opportunities for creative play and creative thinking during this important stage. Parents should pay attention to play, plan for it and encourage it with age-appropriate toys.

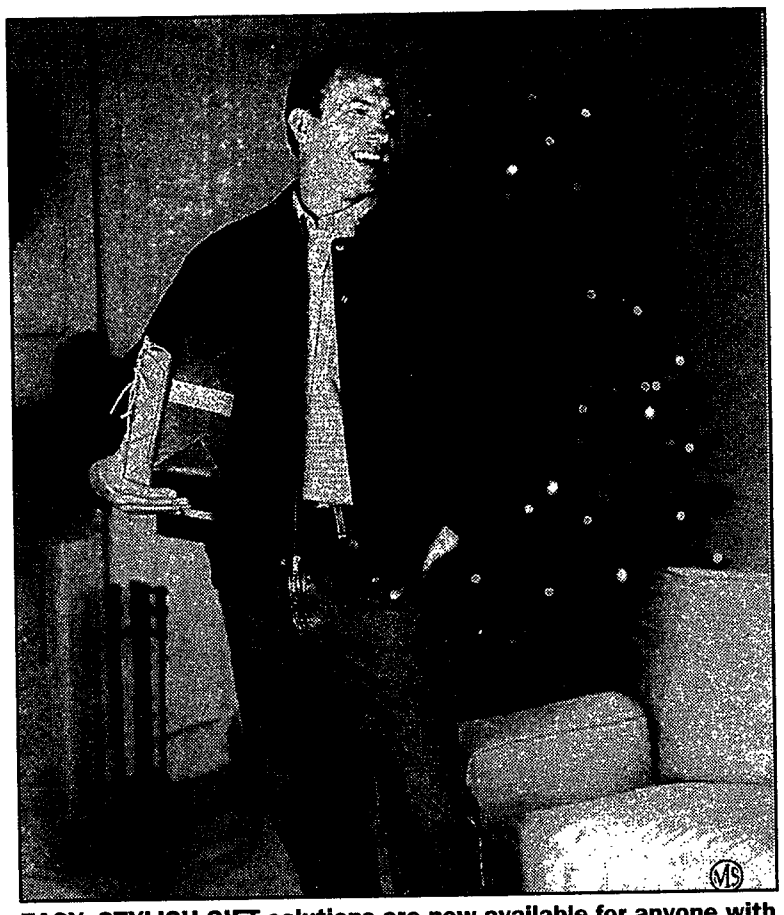
"Endless possibilities open through a child's imagination and play," explains Robin Lehnert, spokesperson for BRIO Corporation, a toy company known for its commitment to play value, quality and fun.

A recent survey commissioned by Civitas Initiative and Zero To Three, with financial support from BRIO, found that many adults believe that certain activities, like playing computer programs, do the most to enhance a child's development. In reality, according to the survey, other forms of play offer greater benefits since they tend to give children a better chance to use imagination and think abstractly. For example, when a 10-month-old baby plays with blocks, she practices motor skills and learns about cause and effect (in addition to having a whole lot of fun).

BRIO offers many examples of "open-ended" toys that help children engage in creative play. "All of the toys we offer are designed to grow with the child, providing simple pleasures when the child is youngest, and more complex interactions as he or she matures," says Lehnert.

Loved by children and endorsed by parents for its unique creative play benefits, the BRIO Wooden Railway system encourages open-ended play and provides children with endless ways to create layouts and discover new play possibilities. Children learn about social environments and leader-follower skills.

"The 'magic' of the toys in our selection is truly realized when placed in the hands of a child," Lehnert says. By understanding the value of play, parents can choose toys that not only provide hours of enjoyment for their kids, but also enhance their learning and development.



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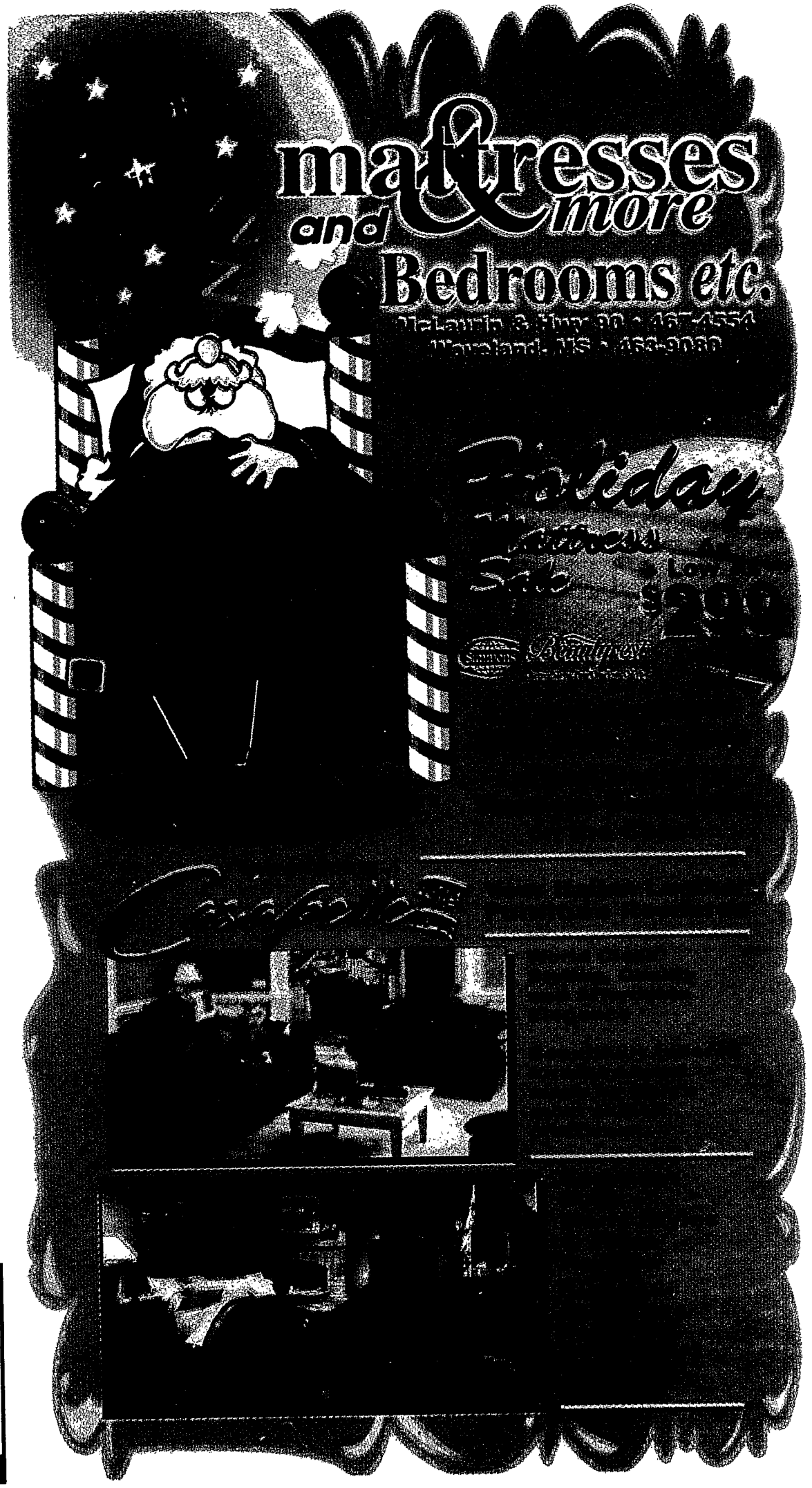
THE SEA COAST ECHO

Good things do come in large packages. That's welcome news for the 20 million American men who wear large sizes. Anyone with a big and tall man on his or her gift list will find fashionable holiday shopping solutions at many fine retail outlets, including stories like Casual Male Big & Tall, a company that caters to the men out there for whom size "XL" in average clothing just isn't large enough. This includes men who wear big sizes from "1X" to "6X," with waists measuring from 44 to 66 inches, or tall sizes from "LT" to "4XLT," with waists from 36 to 54 inches and inseams up to 38 inches.

Hot items on men's wish lists this season include luxurious leather bomber jackets, textured cardigans, fleece activewear, proportioned jeans, silk boxers, extra long ties and even footwear up to size 16. Monogrammed cotton, terry and silk robes look great with coordinating pajamas. Another holiday favorite is the company's black leather fanny pack, which features multi-zip compartments and an adjustable nylon strap that fits up to a size 72-inch waist.

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Five Simple Tips For Easy Holiday Entertaining

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Decorations? Check. Holiday music? Check. Gift list? Checked ... twice. What's left to make your celebration complete? The perfect meal can add the finishing touch to a party. However, for many, holiday menu planning seems like a daunting task, especially among all of the other last-minute details of the season.

Entertaining during this time of year should be fun, and it can be easier than you'd ever imagined when you're armed with the right holiday know-how. Following are some tips to get you started, courtesy of the experts at Birds Eye®.

• Keep it simple. One of the easiest ways to get overwhelmed during holiday entertaining is to try to do too much. If an elaborate five-course meal seems like too much, it probably is. Instead, focus all of your energy on a few main dishes.

• Take advantage of shortcuts. Today's supermarket is full of conveniences that can help your holiday dinner go on without a hitch. Stock up on prepared gravies and stocks and frozen vegetables, like those from Birds Eye. Perfect for a main course or a side dish, these items can be purchased in advance when you have more time and stored until needed. And don't think you'll be compromising taste or nutrition value.

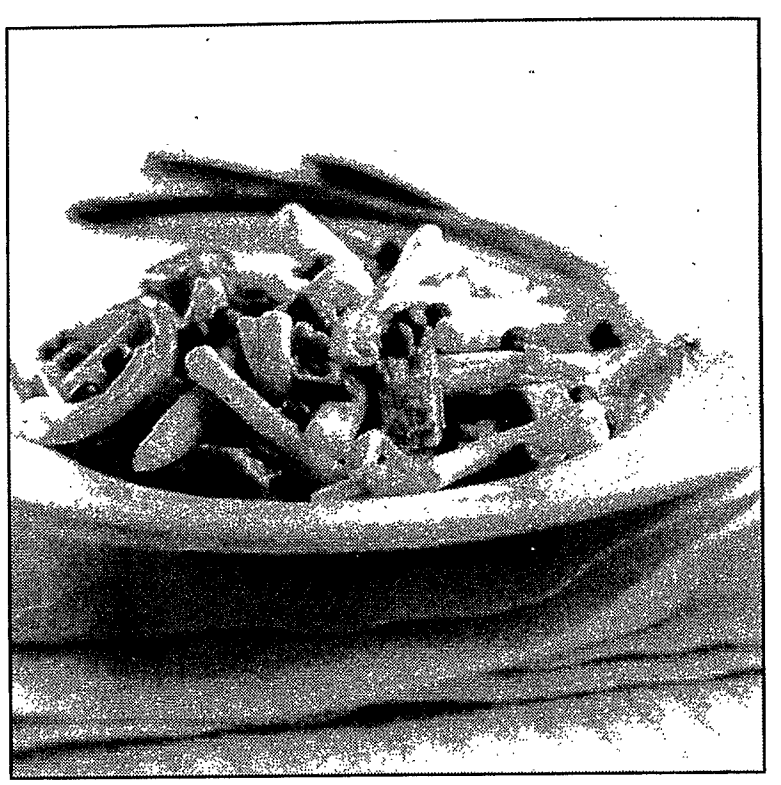
Contrary to popular belief, frozen vegetables contain just as many nutrients as produce in the grocery store. In fact, once picked, fresh vegetables may be shipped from place to place or stored for long periods of time before purchase.

Because of this extended time, fresh produce can lose valuable nutrients. Frozen vegetables from Birds Eye are frozen within hours of harvest to guarantee the freshest taste possible.

• Don't be afraid to experiment. Most people look forward all year to some tried-and-true holiday favorites, but don't hesitate to try your hand at a new dish. And don't overlook the convenience of frozen veggies stocked in the freezer for whipping up fast and tasty appetizers!

• Share the joy. Enlist the help of family members to make your holidays even more special. Ask a relative to bring their favorite dish to the festivities. This way you'll have a combination of festive foods and guests who are proud of their accomplishments.

• Take advantage of others' wisdom. There are plenty of ideas out there primed and ready for holiday cooking. Web sites like www.birdseye.com can be a great resource. There you'll find tasty ways to add some joy to holiday cooking, like this light and fresh-tasting recipe for "Pea Salad with Pasta and Cheese."



BABY FROZEN VEGETABLES from Birds Eye can be a great shortcut to fabulous holiday fare like this "Pea Salad with Pasta and Cheese."

PEA SALAD WITH PASTA AND CHEESE

Makes 4 servings
Prep time: 5 minutes
Cooking time: 15 minutes

- 2 cups uncooked macaroni
- 1 16-ounce package Birds Eye® Baby Sweet Peas
- 1/4 cup chopped scallions or green onions
- 1 1/2 cups (6 ounces) fancy shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup light mayonnaise
- 1/2 teaspoon celery salt (optional)
- 1/2 pound cubed, cooked ham (optional)

In a large saucepan, cook macaroni according to package directions. Add peas during the last seven minutes and drain. Add scallions, cheese, mayonnaise and, if desired, celery salt and/or ham. Toss gently, then chill for two to three hours before serving.

Christmas Tea with Pearls of the Mississippi Sound

The Pearls of the Mississippi Sound Christmas Tea takes place Tuesday Dec. 10, 4-6 p.m. in the Palm House Bed & Breakfast, 217 Union Street, Bay St. Louis.

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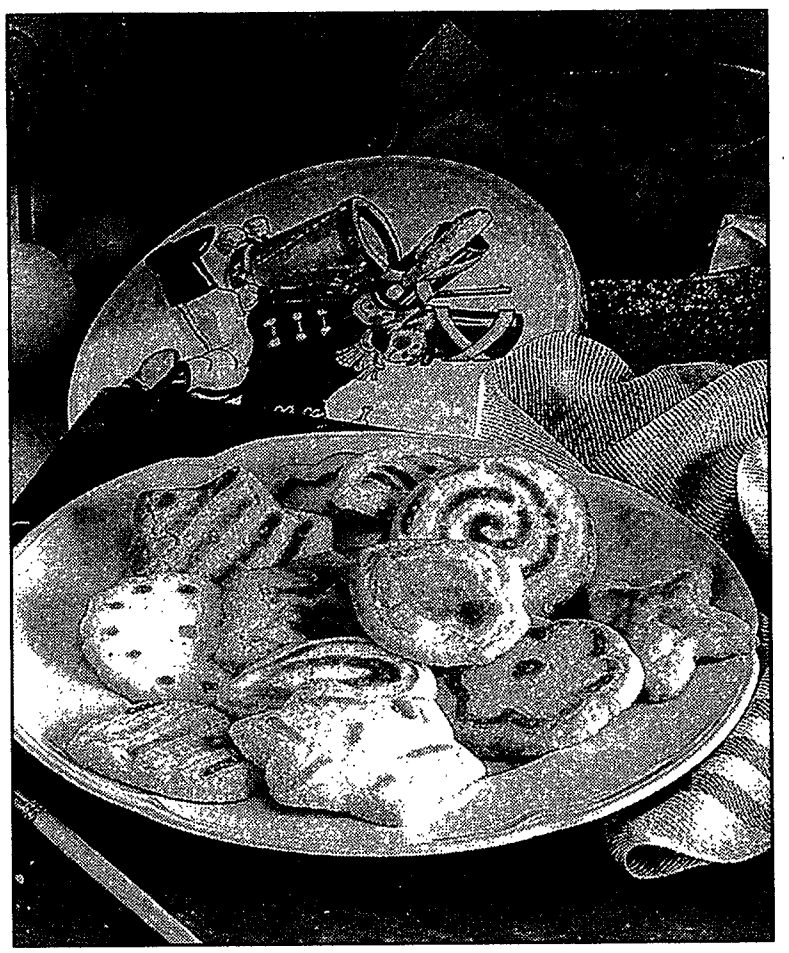
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Whether hosting a festive holiday get-together or attending someone else's seasonal soiree, having food to share with others is essential for successful entertaining.

Perhaps you have been searching for the perfect little gift to give to someone special. What could be better than giving — or receiving — something homemade? And, better still, something that is deliciously edible?

Why not make the holidays picture-perfect with a homemade, fresh-baked batch of decorative cookies. Perfect as a party dish or even as a gift, homemade cookies are sure to warm the hearts — and the appetites — of everyone, whatever the occasion.

The following festive recipe, courtesy of "Le Cordon Bleu Home Collection: Cookies" (Periplus Editions), is deliciously fun to make — it happens to be a great holiday activity for children, too!



MAKE THE HOLIDAYS picture-perfect with a fresh-baked batch of deliciously decorative, homemade Paintbox Cookies.

PAINTBOX COOKIES

Makes about 36

Preparation time: 25 minutes

plus 1 hour refrigeration

Buy a variety of different-sized paintbrushes and the cookies become your canvas.

11/4 cups unsalted butter, at room temperature
11/2 cups sugar
2 eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
3 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
4 egg yolks
Red, blue, green and yellow food coloring

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F. Brush two baking sheets with melted butter.

2. Cream the butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the eggs and vanilla and beat well. Sift the flour, baking soda and salt into the mixture and combine. Wrap the dough in plastic wrap and refrigerate for about one hour, or until firm. If it becomes too hard, leave at room temperature for about 20 minutes.

3. Place each egg yolk in a separate bowl. Add a teaspoon of water and beat well with a fork. Add a few drops of a different food color to each one.

4. Divide the dough in half; keep half refrigerated and roll out the other half between two sheets of waxed paper to about 1/8- to 1/4-inch thickness. Cut out shapes and use enough to fill the prepared baking sheets. Use small paintbrushes to paint the cookies, adding a little extra water to the food colorings to create a more translucent effect. Allow the "paint" to dry before baking.

5. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, or until lightly colored. Cool on a wire rack. Repeat with the remaining mixture, preparing the baking sheets as instructed in step 1.

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Raise a glass to friends and family this holiday season in style. But, do it with limited work and clean-up with ideas from Disaronno, Italy's number-one selling liqueur and Bruce Jacobs, executive chef for one of Southern California's pre-eminent grocers.

Disaronno and Jacobs have come up with some suggestions designed to make your gatherings easy, fun and flavorful — with bar tips, easy recipes and ideas to create a festive mood.

"This time of year there are a million events to attend," says Joy Suchlicki, Disaronno brand manager in the United States.

"The holidays are the perfect time to share laughter, love and great cocktails and food!"

"Without too much fuss and aggravation, it's easy to entertain in style — with tasty cocktails, yummy snacks and just the right atmosphere," she adds.

TIPS TO RAISE THE BAR WITHOUT RAISING YOUR ANXIETY

(MS) — • For a quick and easy way to start the evening, wrap thin strips of prosciutto around grissini (thin Italian breadsticks) and lightly toast in the broiler.

• Make your bar worry-free. Focus and limit what you're serving. Present sparkling water, white wine and a signature cocktail (like the Cosmopolitan shown here).

• Instead of a costly, potentially droopy centerpiece, fill a favorite, large bowl with cranberries mixed with small silver or gold holiday ornaments.

TUSCANY CROSTINI

Yields 12 Crostini

1/4 sourdough baguette, cut into 1/4-thick rounds, 12 slices
3 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
4 ounces dried black figs, stems removed and cut into 1/4-inch dice
1/4 cup Disaronno
8 ounces mascarpone cheese
1 tablespoon honey
2 ounces Prosciutto di Parma, thinly sliced and cut into 2- by 3-inch pieces
2 tablespoons additional extra virgin olive oil
2 tablespoons fresh chives, minced

To prepare, preheat oven to 350 F. Place chopped figs in small bowl, add Disaronno and let figs soak 30 minutes. Brush both sides of baguette slices with 3 tablespoons olive oil and place on cookie sheet. Bake until slightly golden, about three to five minutes, set aside.

In a medium-sized bowl, gently fold mascarpone cheese, figs, Disaronno and honey until mixed well. Spread mascarpone mixture on each crostini and top with a slice of prosciutto. To serve, place crostinis on serving platter, drizzle platter with remaining 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil and sprinkle with chives.

DISARONNO COSMOPOLITAN

1 ounce Disaronno
1 ounce Bacardi Limon
Splash of cranberry

Shake ingredients together with ice and strain into a chilled martini glass. Garnish with a lime slice.

• When planning your hors d'oeuvres menu, make sure everything is finger food (like crostini) — you'll only need cocktail napkins, making clean up simple.

• Place disposable cameras around the room and encourage guests to take snapshots of the evening's festivities.

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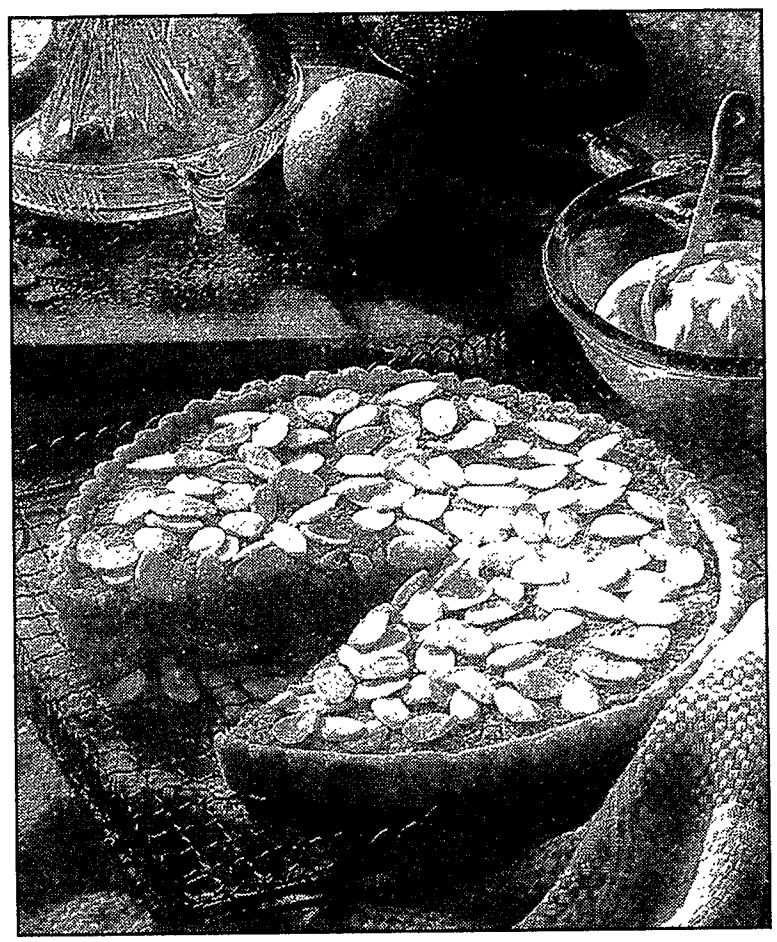
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Indulge Yourself With a Tasty Tart

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Dessert will be even more special this winter with "Molasses and Almond Tart," courtesy of "Le Cordon Bleu Home Collection Winter" (Periplus Editions).



This molasses and almond tart is sure to satisfy your holiday sweet tooth.

Molasses and Almond Tart
Serves 8

For a lighter flavor, leave out the molasses and use another 1/3 cup of dark corn syrup instead. Served warm with whipped cream or fresh vanilla custard, this sweet tart will enrich any winter's meal.

PASTRY
1 2/3 cups all-purpose flower
Large pinch of sugar
1/3 cup unsalted butter, chilled and cut
1 egg, lightly beaten
Drop of vanilla extract

FILLING
1/3 cup unsalted butter, melted
Juice and finely grated rind of one lemon
1/3 cup light molasses
1 cup ground almonds
1 1/4 cups fresh bread crumbs
1 egg, beaten
2/3 cup sliced almonds, to decorate

Brush a 9-inch fluted tart pan with removable base with melted butter. To make the pastry, sift the flour, sugar and a large pinch of salt into a large bowl. Rub the cubes of cold butter into the flour with a fast flicking action of the thumbs across the fingertips until the mixture resembles fine bread crumbs.

Make a well in the center and pour in the beaten egg, a teaspoon of water and a drop of vanilla. Slowly mix the pastry together by hand, or stir with a round-bladed knife into a rough ball. If the pastry is slightly sticky, add a little more flour. Turn out onto a cool, lightly floured surface, and knead very gently for no more than 20 seconds so that the pastry is just smooth. Cover with plastic warp and refrigerate for at least 20 minutes before using

Roll the pastry on a floured surface to about 1/8 inch think. Line the tart pan with the pastry, pushing the pastry into the flutes of the pan with the help of a small ball of excess pastry. Trim off the excess.

Cut a circle of waxed paper 1 1/4 inches larger than the tar pan, crush it into a ball, open it and put it inside the pastry so the liner comes up the sides.

Fill the pan to the rim with rice or pie weights, then press gently so they rest against the sides of the pan. Bake for 12 to 15 minutes. Remove the rice or pie weights and toss the liner. If the pastry base looks wet, bake for three to four minutes. When cooked, remove from the oven and cool in the pan. Reduce the oven temperature to 350 F.

To make the filling, combine all the filling ingredients expect the sliced almonds in a large bowl. Stir briskly until smooth. Spread into the pastry shell and sprinkle with the sliced almonds. Bake for 15 minutes, or until the mixture feels light to the touch. Remove from oven, leave in the tart pan and cool before serving.

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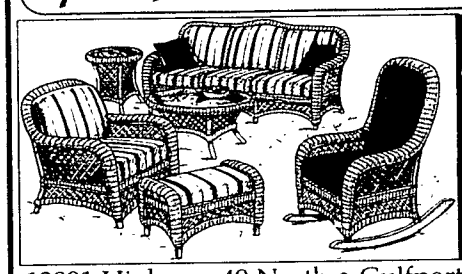
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Millicent and Sid Charbonnet, of Pass Christian and New Orleans, look for some fine foods and utensils – both for themselves and as Christmas presents – at The Bay Gourmet in Bay St. Louis.

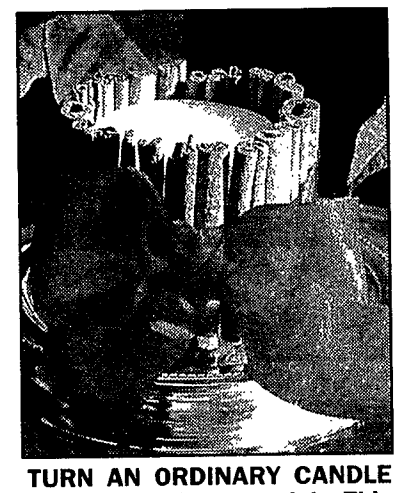
Brighten Up the Holiday With Homemade Candles

THE SEA COAST ECHO

During Christmastime, the exterior of many homes are decorated in brilliantly colored lights, tinsel and animated figures. However, you also can "make every corner" inside the home "beautiful with simple ideas that say Merry Christmas," says Barbara Milo Ohrbach, author of "Tabletops" (Potter).

One of the easiest ways to brighten a table is with candles. "Candlelight on the table at holiday time creates a festive mood," says Ohrbach.

Whether on your holiday table, or as a gift for a loved one's home, making beautiful and unique candles is simple. The following holiday candles make use of everyday, normal items, like cinnamon sticks, cranberries and ribbons, to turn simple candles into something special.



TURN AN ORDINARY CANDLE into something special. This Cinnamon Stick Wrap candle will create a festive mood when placed on any table this holiday season.

CINAMMON STICK WRAP

3 inch cinnamon sticks (for around your candle)
2 inch pillar candle
Rubber band
Wired ribbon or natural raffia

1. Stand the cinnamon sticks next to one another halfway around the candle, and rubber band them tightly into place.
2. Add the remaining cinnamon sticks, covering the rest of the candle.
3. Tightly tie wired ribbon or raffia around the middle and bow.

CRANBERRY STAR

Bag of dried cranberries
12 inches of florist wire
18 inches of satin ribbon

1. Thread the cranberries onto the wire through their center, leaving 1 inch of wire at each end.
2. Twist both ends together securely, making a loop with the wire.
3. Sharply indent the wire five times to make a star pattern.
4. Tie a ribbon through the loop and onto a candlestick.

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Give Santa a Hand: Take The Chill Out Of Your Home Heating Costs

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Does thinking about this winter's heating bills give you the chills?

Skyrocketing fuel prices and the prospect of oil crises in the future has left many consumers apprehensive about what this season may bring. Fortunately, there are ways you can put the high costs of energy on ice this winter. A good place to start is your home's heating and cooling system. After all, heating and cooling devours nearly half of all energy consumed within a home, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Energy-saving measures can cut up to 30 percent from your annual heating and cooling bills, according to home energy experts. Best of all, while you scrimp on energy, you can splurge on comfort and help the environment. Use these tips from the experts at Honeywell to help you get started:

• Get a tune up. An inefficient, under-performing heating/cooling system will guzzle energy and drive up your energy costs. Not all thermostats perform the same, so be sure to purchase a good name-brand that holds the temperature to within one degree of where you set it. Some lower-quality thermostats will fluctuate the temperature as much as 10 degrees, forcing homeowners to constantly adjust the temperature output — hardly energy-efficient.

However, even the best systems can go out of adjustment. Call in a professional heating/cooling contractor to inspect and service your system to help ensure that it runs efficiently.

Now you can have your heating/cooling system's daily performance professionally monitored. Monitoring helps ensure efficient operation and promptly alerts you and your contractor of problems, so you can get them fixed quickly.

• Turn down the heat. A great way to save energy dollars during winter is by turning down your thermostat when you sleep or when you're away. Honeywell offers an Energy Star®-labeled programmable thermostat that does this automatically for you and may help shave off up to 30 percent on your annual heating and cooling bills. New technology lets you adjust your thermostat by telephone, so you can save energy from afar.

• Moisturize the air. Often, inside air during the winter months can feel as dry and cold as the Sahara at night. Using a humidifier can make the air in your home feel warmer, allowing you to stay comfortable and save energy at lower temperatures. You can set your indoor temperature up to two degrees lower than normal and still feel comfortable if the humidity is at the right level — between 35 and 50 percent.

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• Get in your comfort zone. Heat only the areas of your home that are in use, like bedrooms and gathering places, like a family room. Zoned temperature systems help manage utility bills year-round by delivering heat and cooling when and where it's needed.

• Seal those ducts. Leaking air ducts can sap the overall efficiency of your heating and cooling system by as much as 20 percent. Properly sealing the leaks in your duct system can boost efficiency and lower your energy bills.

• Change your air filter. Dusty, dirty filters can clog your heating system's airflow, making it work harder — that is, expend more energy — to warm the house. To keep costs down, as well as increase the life of your home heating system, be sure to change your air filter monthly.

• Clean up. If you don't have a whole-house air cleaner, consider installing one. A good air cleaner traps more particles from the air passing through it than a standard filter does. That helps your furnace or heat pump run more efficiently, which puts less strain on your utility bills. However, be sure to change your filter monthly. Dusty, dirty filters can clog your heating and cooling system's airflow, forcing it to work harder and use more energy.

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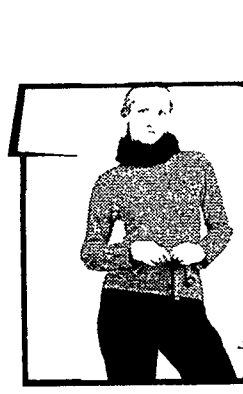
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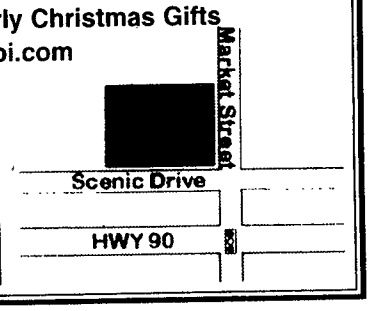
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Score a Touchdown with Football Gifts for Everyone

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Time may be running out, but don't panic if you just can't figure out what to buy the football fan on your holiday shopping list this season. The National Football League has a gift lineup that's sure to satisfy fans of any age.

It's easier than ever to find the logo of your favorite team, your favorite player's name or the NFL shield on everything from luxury items to simple stocking stuffers — whether you visit the stadium or shop at home. Shopping online at www.nflshop.com and through the league's catalog makes it a cinch for fans from New York to San Francisco to find the perfect gift for friends and family who love the game.

Here's a closer look at some of the most popular fan gear flying off the shelves, courtesy of the NFL.

• Be a part of your favorite NFL team with a NFL replica jersey in home or road colors. Available for men, women and children, you can add the name and number of your favorite player or personalize it to truly feel like part of the team.

• Great for mom, sis, grandma, or any special woman in your life, support the team day or night with fashionable women's pajamas.

They are available with a button-up top or camisole and elastic waist shorts or pants.



THIS SEASON, the NFL has a gift lineup that's sure to satisfy fans of any age.

• If you like the singing wide mouth bass, you'll love seeing Pigskin Pete rush down the field and recount classic NFL moments. He turns his head and moves his mouth to the words as his legs actually run.

• The NFL chair with side table is great for tailgating, picnics or the beach. This comfortable chair sets up in seconds and features your favorite team logo, a convenient side table, armrests, cup holders and more. It holds up to 500 pounds and folds down into a matching nylon string bag.

• Create a personalized uniform for the future NFL fan with the Franklin Youth Uniform Set.

It includes iron-on numbers, team logo helmet with facemask, padding and adjustable chinstrap, and 100 percent double-knit polyester team jersey and pants.

• Other great stocking stuffers include Reebok hats, Riddell Mini Helmets, Reebok team T-shirts, Super Bowl XXXVI video and more.

For more gift ideas, visit an NFL Team Shop in your area, click on www.nflshop.com, call (877) NFL-SHOP.

Why Don't You ...

As you're checking off your holiday gift list this season, why not take a moment to consider the people who are part of your everyday life — the doorman, the hairdresser, the bus driver, etc. Bring a little joy into their day this holiday season by surprising them with a thoughtful gift:

- **Gift certificate for coffee or tea**
- **Engraved pen and pencil set**
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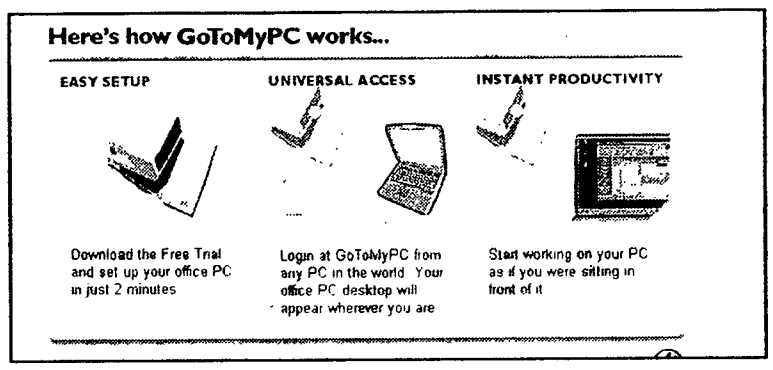
New Technology Lets You Give the Gift of Time This Holiday Season

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The holiday season is upon us, and with it comes increased stress levels brought on by a flurry of extra activities and tasks. It often feels as if you need to be several places at once, and there's never enough time to get all your business work done and still have time for holiday shopping, baking and socializing. Even if you're able to manage work and holiday cheer, there's always the issue of holiday travel. Balancing visits with family while managing essential work back at the office leaves many feeling pressed for time, anxious about what isn't getting done at work.

Thanks to advances in technology, the gift of time is now easier to give — and receive — than ever before. This season, Web-based remote-access technology is the new trick to adding extra time to your day. It allows individuals the flexibility to work from anywhere by giving them secure access to the full contents of their work PCs via the Web. By completing more work at home in the evenings or while visiting out-of-town relatives, people can spend more time enjoying the holidays while still making sure office work gets done.

Dr. Maynard Brusman, a psychologist and expert in workplace stress, agrees that having the option to work remotely can help reduce the stress brought on by the holidays. "While the holidays are an exciting time of year, many people get caught up in the various activities they're involved in and become overwhelmed by work and outside commitments," he says. "The ability to work remotely, or to telework, with a remote-access service is a great solution for those who need a few extra work hours in the day."



GIVE THE GIFT OF TIME this holiday season with GoToMyPC's new Web-based remote-access computer technology.

"pcAnywhere and LapLink are software-based solutions that can be purchased and installed," Brusman continues. "But I especially like GoToMyPCTM, a Web-based service that can be used from any computer with Internet access. With the service, you can access your work PC from home, a relative's house, even airport kiosks. You never need to feel that you're out of touch. Just knowing you can work if you want to can be a great stress reliever, and being able to work at any time of day gives many people the extra hours they need without feeling chained to their offices."

GoToMyPC is a fast, easy and secure way to access a PC from any Web browser. It is extremely easy to use and can be set up in a matter of minutes. Users simply download the software to the computer they want to access. To log in, users go to www.GoToMyPC.com, and enter their username and password, they will then be able to access, view and work on their PC as if they were in front of it. Multiple passwords, user authentication and screen blanking of the host computer make it extremely secure. The service is available on a monthly or annual plan and a free trial is available on the GoToMyPC Web site, as well as a special offer for the holiday season.

Employers can also give the gift of time to their employees this season. GoToMyPC Corporate allows companies to give their employees individual accounts. "What greater gift to an employee than the ability to work remotely," says Brian Donahoo, GoToMyPC's senior vice president. "In today's economy, not all companies have the ability to give their employees extended vacations or extra holiday time off. But with this service, companies can allow employees to keep their travel plans intact or stay at home with their families while working remotely."

Remember to give yourself the gift of time this holiday season and avoid holiday stress. For more information on managing holiday stress, visit www.WorkingResources.com.

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MDHS provides holiday tips for parents

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The Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) is launching an appeal during the holidays to parents who are divorced, separated, or have never married.

The Department's Division of Child Support Enforcement's (DCSE) Mississippi Access and Visitation Program (MAV-P) is encouraging the parents of minor children abide by their court orders for visitation.

If there is no court order, parents should seek support from counselors or mediators to help them develop parenting plans. These plans include visitation arrangements.

Children usually become victims of "parents don't agree syndrome" during the holidays. MDHS is recommending the following tips to ensure a better life and happy holidays for children (and their parents).

Parents should focus on their children by:

- providing happiness
- providing opportunities for them to be loved by each parent
- providing opportunities for them to talk to and to see the other parent
- providing a good home with proper food, clothing and health care sponsored by both parents

Parents should develop some cooperative attitudes for their children by:

- discussing problems privately prior to picking up or dropping off the child(ren)
- being courteous to each other in front of the child(ren)
- speaking positively about the other parent and not making negative comments
- resisting the "more toys and more kisses" game to obtain loyalty
- working out visitation schedules with each other – not the child(ren)

For more information regarding these parenting tips, the general public can contact the Mississippi Access and Visitation Program (MAV-P) at 601-359-4875 or 1-800-948-4010.



The Mississippi Department of Human Services is apealing to single and divorced parents this holiday season to forego old squabbles focus on their children.

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To millions of children all over the world who celebrate Christmas, no other symbol of the holiday fills them with such joy as Santa Claus. This legendary figure, who supposedly flies the world in his sleigh filled with toys and drops down the chimney delivering gifts to good girls and boys, is a favorite of children, no matter what country they live in. Santa Claus, a jolly, stout man with a twinkle in his eye, rosy-red cheeks and a



cheerful laugh, is the American adaptation of the European legend of Saint Nicholas. He wears a bright red suit trimmed with white fur, a long red cap and shiny black boots. In England, he wears the very same outfit, but there he's called Father Christmas. In France, children refer to him as Père Noël, which means Father Christmas. He wears a long red robe and white fur hat with wooden shoes. In Switzerland we see another variation on Santa. His name is Saint Nicholas, and he wears a long white robe and a tall pointed hat called a miter. There are numerous other counterparts of Santa Claus across the globe, including the German Kris Kringle, the Italian Befana, the Swedish Jultomten and Russia's Babouschka. Though he may look a bit different and be called many names, to children of all countries his message is the same. They peek out the windows and hope to catch a glimpse of this special man as he flies through the sky, delivering gifts for boys and girls to enjoy on Christmas Day.


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Seas -- Take a Holiday Cruise

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Windstar is also offering cruises to the exotic South Pacific aboard the 148-passenger Wind Song, sailing from Tahiti to the Society Islands on Nov. 15, 22 and 29, and Dec. 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2002.

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All rates are per person, double occupancy.

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To receive brochures or for more information, contact (877) 827-7245. For reservations, contact a travel agent or call Windstar at (800) 258-7245.

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Gift -- Experience the Joy

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• Herb garden — An herb garden is an inexpensive, exciting gift for a child to give when he or she is the one who has planted the seeds. Show the child how much water and light the seeds require, and watch the child take pride in raising the seeds into edible herbs.

A word to the wise: In the event that something should go wrong, it wouldn't hurt to have a backup gift just in case!

Celebrate the Candy Cane: Sweet Symbol of the Season

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For millions of Americans, the candy cane is synonymous with Christmas. Whether used as tree decorations, taped to gifts or simply enjoyed during holiday get togethers, candy canes evoke memories of the wonders of childhood. So powerful is their appeal that consumers spent nearly $65 million last year on candy canes.

The modern candy cane's design originated from the symbol of the shepherds' crook, representing the humble flock keepers who worshiped the newborn baby Jesus. Legend has it that in 1670, the choirmaster at the Cologne Cathedral handed out sugar sticks to keep his young singers quiet during the Nativity ceremony. To honor the occasion, the candies were bent into shepherds' crooks.

In 1847, August Imgard of Wooster, Ohio, decorated a small blue spruce with candy canes and paper ornaments, but it wasn't until the turn of the century that the red and white stripes and peppermint flavors became the norm.

In the 1920s, Bob McCormack began making candy canes as a Christmas treat for his family and friends. His Famous Candy Company, later changed to Bobs Candies, began with only five employees who completed the laborious process of twisting, cutting and bending each candy cane by hand.

The first candy manufacturer to wrap its products in cellophane, Bobs quickly earned a reputation as a leader and innovator — a tradition which has continued ever since.

In the 1950s, McCormack's brother-in-law, Gregory Keller, invented a machine to automate candy cane production. Packaging innovations by the McCormacks also made it possible to transport the delicate canes on a scale that transformed the company into the leading candy cane producer in the world, a position Bobs Candies still holds today.

While peppermint canes are still the most popular, the company offers a wide variety of cane flavors and sizes, including designer canes in delicious flavors like strawberry, blueberry and bubble gum.

To see how candy canes are made, and to share your favorite candy cane recipe or story, visit the Bobs Candies' Web site at www.bobscandies.com.


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Step into the Past at Beauvoir's Candlelight Christmas Celebration

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Beauvoir's 10th annual Candlelight Christmas celebration will take place on Friday and Saturday December 13 and 14, 2002, from 5:30p.m. to 8:00p.m. Visitors for this family oriented event will witness Christmas' past as they tour the grounds of this historic site. Along with the guided tours, visitors will enjoy all the sights and sounds of a traditional Victorian Christmas, and children of all ages can visit with St. Nick.

Guided tours of the grounds will experience Christmas through the eyes of Civil War soldiers; the Brown Family, the original owners of Beauvoi; as well as a traditional Victorian open house hosted by the "Davis Family."

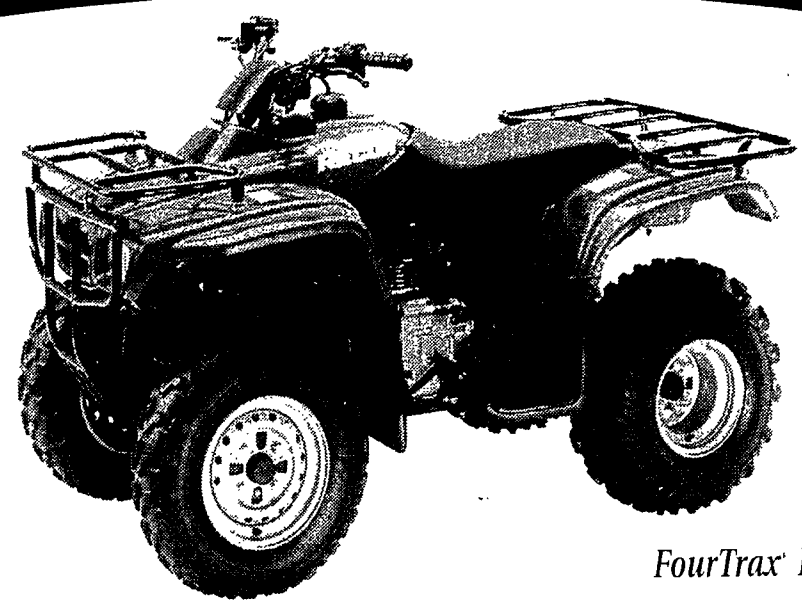
The Beach Garden Society will be decorating the Beauvoir home in beautiful Victorian style, a treat for young and old alike. Beauvoir's Candlelight Christmas is open to the public. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with the first tour beginning at 5:45 p.m. and the last tour at 8:00 p.m. each night.

Admission: Adults $7.50; Students (ages 6 and up), $4.50; Seniors (age 65+), AAA & Active Military $6.75; Children (5 and under) Free; Children ages 6-12 bringing an unwrapped toy will be admitted free.

All toys collected will be donated to the Toys for Tots campaign.

Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library is a national historic landmark property of the Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans. It is located on U.S. Highway 90 in Biloxi, Mississippi. For more information, contact the Tours and Programs office at 228-388-9074. 2244 Beach Blvd., Biloxi, Mississippi 39531. 228 388-9074.

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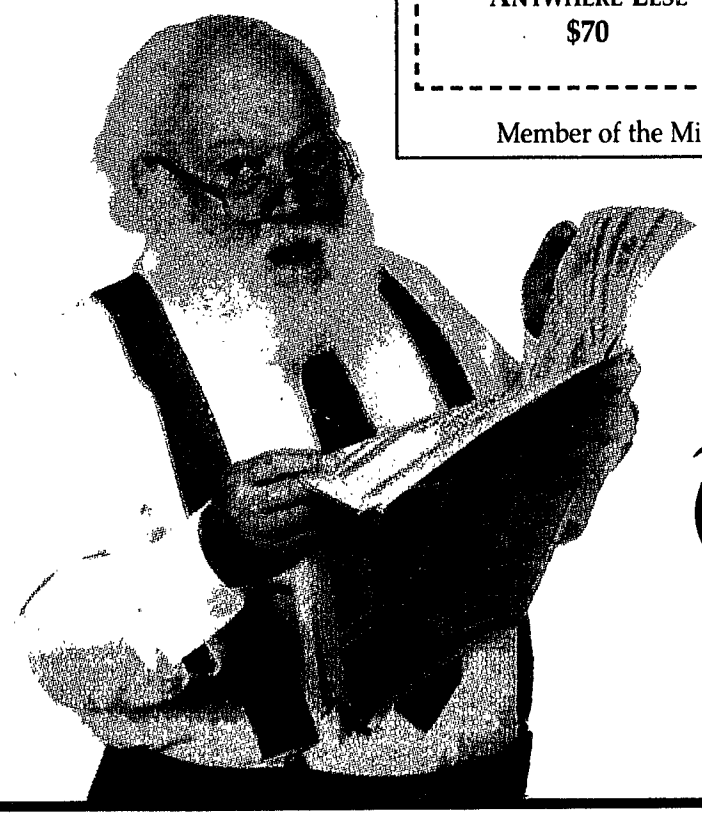


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